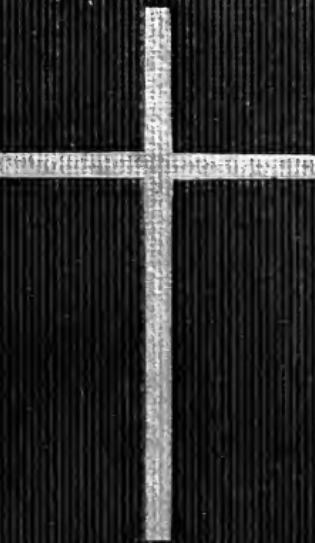


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Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth;
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua;
Gloria tibi, Domine altissime.

Amen



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SECTION I
MORNING DEVOTIONS *

I.

PRAISE be to Thee, O Lord, who hast brought us through the darkness of the night, to the light of another day,

Blessed be the Holy and Undivided Trinity,

Now and forevermore. Amen.

PSALM lxiii. *Deus, Deus meus.*

O GOD, thou art my God : early will I seek thee.

My soul thirsteth for thee; my flesh also longeth after thee : in a barren and dry land where no water is.

Thus have I looked for thee in holiness : that I might behold thy power and glory.

For thy loving-kindness is better than the life itself : my lips shall praise thee.

As long as I live will I magnify thee in this manner : and lift up my hands in thy Name.

My soul shall be satisfied, even as it were

* The first part may be said while dressing.

with marrow and fatness : when my mouth praiseth thee with joyful lips.

Have I not remembered thee in my bed : and thought upon thee when I was waking ?

Because thou hast been my helper : therefore under the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.

Glory be.

The Lord is King and hath put on glorious apparel :

The Lord hath put on his apparel
And girded himself with strength.

Come, Holy Ghost, and fill the hearts of Thy faithful people, and kindle in them the fire of Thy love.

O send out Thy light and Thy truth that they may lead me and bring me unto Thy holy hill, and to Thy dwelling; that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

I laid me down and slept and rose up again, because thou, Lord, didst sustain me.

O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength before I go hence and be no more seen.

May the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

II.

IN the Name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

OUR FATHER.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by
whose command the day ariseth, and the
world is adorned with the splendor of light,
receive our prayers and show us the light
of Thy countenance, that, walking in the
Way of Thy salvation, we may follow Thee
as our ruler and guide; through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

O LORD, we beseech Thee mercifully hear
our prayers, and spare all those who
confess their sins unto Thee; that they
whose consciences by sin are accused, by
Thy merciful pardon may be absolved;
Through Christ our Lord.

O HOLY, Blessed, and Glorious Trinity,
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; We
praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for

Thy great glory. Accept our morning sacrifice of prayer and penitence, of praise and thanksgiving.

Vouchsafe, O Lord,
To keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, let Thy mercy be upon us
As we do put our trust in Thee.
O Lord, in Thee have I trusted,
Let me never be confounded.

Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth,
And keep the door of my lips,
That I offend not with my tongue.

O GOD, forasmuch as without Thee we are not able to please Thee; mercifully grant that Thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O LORD, in union with Thy most perfect actions, I commend to Thee my words and works of this day, to be directed according to Thy will.

O GOD, who hast prepared for those who love Thee such good things as pass man's understanding; Pour into our hearts such love toward Thee, that we, loving Thee above all things, may obtain Thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

IN Thee, O Lord God, I place my hope Bless and sanctify my soul with Thy heavenly blessings, that it may become Thy holy habitation, and the seat of Thine eternal glory; and let nothing be found in this temple of Thy Divinity which shall offend Thee.

UNTO Thy gracious mercy and protection, O God, I commit myself and all who are dear to me, (.). May Thy good angels guard us, may Thy Holy Spirit dwell with us and preserve us in peace, and may Thy blessing rest upon us evermore. Amen.

MAY the Everlasting God bless us this day; may He save and defend us from all evil, and make us at last partakers of His heavenly Kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Lord preserve my going out and my coming in, from this time forth for evermore. Amen.

MORNING PRAYER: SECOND FORM

I.

HAIL, Thou true Light, who lightest every man that cometh into the world : enlighten mine eyes that I sleep not in death.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord, for Thy watching over me this night; Lord, raise me up at the last day to life everlasting.

PSALM ciii. *Benedic, anima mea.*

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul : and all that is within me, praise his holy Name. Praise the Lord, O my soul : and forget not all his benefits :

Who forgiveth all thy sin : and healeth all thine infirmities ;

Who saveth thy life from destruction : and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness.

O praise the Lord, ye angels of his, ye that excel in strength : ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his word.

O praise the Lord, all ye his hosts : ye servants of his that do his pleasure.

O speak good of the Lord, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion : praise thou the Lord, O my soul.

Through the tender mercy of our God,
Whereby the Day-spring from on high hath visited us.

Glory be,

My voice shalt Thou hear in the morning, O Lord ;

In the morning will I direct my prayer unto Thee,

And will look up.

Let us bless the Lord ;
Thanks be to God.

May the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

II.

IN the Name, etc.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts ;
Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory ;
Glory be to Thee, O Lord, most High.

Lord, hear my prayer
And let my cry come unto me.

OUR FATHER.

O God, make speed to save us;
O Lord, make haste to help us.

I said, Lord, be merciful unto me;
Heal my soul, for I have sinned against
Thee.

Turn Thee again, O Lord, at the last,
And be gracious unto Thy servant.

Let Thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be
showed upon us,

As we do put our trust in Thee.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, absolve Thy
people from their offences; that through
Thy bountiful goodness we may be delivered
from the bands of those sins which by our
frailty we have committed. Grant this, O
heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake,
our blessed Lord and Saviour.

Make me a clean heart, O God.
And renew a right spirit within me.
O let my mouth be filled with Thy praise;
That I may sing of Thy glory and honor
all the day long.

PRAISE be to Thee, O God, for Thy
goodness toward men; for Thy forbear-
ance and long suffering; for Thine abun-
dant mercy, for the multitude of Thy tender
mercies, toward the children of men.

ALMIGHTY God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves; Keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lord, keep my tongue from evil,
And my lips that they speak no guile.
Open Thou mine eyes
That I may see the wondrous things of
Thy law.

My heart hath talked of Thee,
Seek ye my face;
Thy face, Lord, will I seek.

SHOW me Thy ways, O Lord,
and teach me Thy paths.

Direct my steps according to Thy word,
So shall no wickedness have dominion
over me.

Hold Thou up my goings,
That my footsteps slip not.

Prosper Thou the work of our hands
upon us;

O prosper Thou our handiwork.

BLESS, O Lord, the members of my family (.....); bless all who are bound to me by ties of kindred or friendship; all

who are related to me in business or service; all who pray for me, or desire my prayers. Let Thy fatherly hand ever be with them, and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of Thy word, that in the end they may obtain everlasting life.

May God the Father bless me,
 Jesus Christ defend me,
 The Holy Ghost enlighten and direct me.
 Amen.

JAM LUCIS ORTO SIDERE

JAM lucis orto sidere
 Deum precemur supplices,
 Ut in diurnis actibus
 Nos servet a nocentibus.

Linguam refrenans temperet,
 Ne litis horror insonet,
 Visum fovendo contegat,
 Ne vanitates hauriat.

Sint pura cordis intima,
 Absistat et vecordia,
 Carnis terat superbiam
 Potus cibique parcitas.

Ut cum dies abscesserit,
 Noctemque sol reduxerit,
 Mundi per abstinentiam,
 Ipsi canamus gloriam.

Ambrosian.

NOON-TIDE PRAYERS

O LORD Jesus Christ, who at the sixth hour didst nail the sins of the world to the cross, that we might be brought to eternal life; Have mercy upon us, we beseech Thee, both now and at the hour of death; and grant unto us, with all others who have Thy passion in devout remembrance, a contented and godly life in this present world, and eternal glory in the world to come, where, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, Thou livest and reignest ever, one God, world without end.

LORD, we beseech Thee, grant Thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow Thee, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

LORD, support me all the day long of this troublous life, until the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and my work is done; then in Thy mercy grant me a safe lodging and a holy rest, and peace at the last. Amen, Lord Jesus, Amen.

SECTION II

EVENING DEVOTIONS

IN the Name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

We praise Thee, we adore Thee, we glorify Thee, O Blessed Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Let my prayer be set forth in Thy sight as the incense; and let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice.

OUR FATHER.

O God, make speed to save us;
O Lord, make haste to help us.

BLESSED be Thou, O God of Infinite Goodness, for all Thy mercies which Thou hast bestowed upon me this day, and through my whole life. Praise and glory be to Thee forever and ever.

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech Thee, O Lord; and by Thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of Thy Only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

*Self Examination (Section VII)**

O GOD of mercy and of pity, of Thy goodness have compassion upon me, and vouchsafe to forgive me all the sins into which I have fallen this day. Grant me space for repentance and amendment, so that I may receive at Thy hands remission of all my sins; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Our help is in the Name of the Lord,
Who hath made heaven and earth.
Blessed be the Name of the Lord,
Henceforth, world without end.
Lord, hear our prayer,
And let our cry come unto Thee.

O GOD, the Protector of all that trust in Thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy; increase and multiply upon us Thy mercy, that Thou being our Ruler and Guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal. Grant this, O Heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake our Lord.

MAY the Holy Angels, especially my own Guardian, keep watch around me and all who are dear to me, this night, to protect us against the assaults of the evil one, to

* Suggestions for a more thorough examination are given in Section XVI.

suggest to us holy thoughts, to defend us against all dangers, to lead us in the perfect way of peace, and to bring us safe, at length, to our home in Heaven. Amen.

SAVE us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping, that when we are awake we may watch with Christ, and when we sleep, we may rest in peace.

Let us bless the Lord;
Thanks be to God.

THE power of the Father govern and protect me; the wisdom of the Son teach and enlighten me; the influence of the Holy Ghost renew and quicken me; the blessing of the Everlasting and All Holy Trinity be with me, now and forevermore. Amen.

On lying down to sleep

INTO Thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit, for Thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, Thou God of Truth.

I will lay me down in peace and take my rest, for it is Thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

MAY the Lord Almighty grant me a quiet night and a perfect end.

EVENING PRAYER: SECOND FORM

IN the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Thou art worthy, O Lord,
To receive glory and honor and power;
For Thou hast created all things,
And for Thy pleasure they are and were
created.

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills,
From whence cometh my help;
My help cometh even from the Lord
Who hath made heaven and earth.

OUR FATHER.

O God, make speed to save us;
O Lord, make haste to help us.

O GOD, who makest the outgoings of the morning and the evening to praise Thee, we thank Thee that this day has been crowned by Thy goodness. Let Thy care and loving kindness be over us this night, and may we enter upon another day with renewed strength and grace to serve Thee more faithfully, that we may be forever Thine; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Self Examination (Section VII)

MAY the Almighty and merciful God grant me absolution and remission of all my sins, space for repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of His Holy Spirit. Amen.

Thou hast been my succour,
Leave me not, neither forsake me,
O God of my salvation.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who hast vouchsafed to regenerate me by Water and the Holy Ghost, and hast given unto me forgiveness of all my sins; Strengthen me, O Lord, with the Holy Ghost, the Comforter, and daily increase in me Thy manifold gifts of grace; the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and ghostly strength, the spirit of knowledge and true godliness; and fill me, O Lord, with the spirit of Thy holy fear, now and forever. Amen.

O LORD, I commend unto Thy protection and mercy all those for whom I ought to pray (especially), beseeching Thee to supply all their needs, to comfort and support them in all their troubles, to deliver them in all their temptations, to guide them through this life, to be with them in the hour of death, and to

bring them safely to Thy Heavenly Kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O LORD, let Thy continual pity cleanse and defend Thy Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without Thy succour, preserve it evermore by Thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O Thou, in whom our fathers trusted
And Thou didst deliver them;
Be Thou my hope, now and forevermore.

THE Lord bless me and defend me from all evil, and bring me to everlasting life; and of His boundless mercy grant unto me and to all His faithful servants eternal rest and peace. Amen.

On lying down to sleep

INTO Thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit, for Thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, Thou God of Truth.

I will lay me down in peace and take my rest, for it is Thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

May the Lord Almighty grant me a quiet night and a perfect end.

SECTION III
SUPPLEMENTARY

For the Morning

PSALM xxxiv. *Benedicam Dominum.*

I WILL alway give thanks unto the Lord :
His praise shall ever be in my mouth.
My soul shall make her boast in the Lord :
the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.

O praise the Lord with me : and let us
magnify his Name together.

I sought the Lord, and he heard me : yea,
he delivered me out of all my fear.

They had an eye unto him, and were
lightened : and their faces were not
ashamed.

Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth
him : yea, and saveth him out of all his
troubles.

The angel of the Lord tarrieth round
about them that fear him : and delivereth
them.

O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord
is : blessed is the man that trusteth in
him.

O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints: for they that fear him lack nothing.

The lions do lack, and suffer hunger : but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.

O MY God, I acknowledge that I am not worthy to come into Thy presence, nor to lift up mine eyes in Thy sight, because I have so often sinned against Thee. But, O Lord, of Thy mercy give me pardon for all my sins, and assist me with Thy Holy Spirit that I may pray to Thee as I ought.

WE give Thee thanks, Holy Lord, Father Almighty, everlasting God, who hast been pleased to bring us through the night to the hours of morning; we pray Thee to grant us to pass this day without sin, so that at eventide we may again give thanks to Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gelasian.

LET our prayer, O Lord, come before Thee in the morning. Grant us to pass this day in gladness and peace, without stumbling and without stain; that reaching the eventide without any temptation, we may praise Thee the eternal King; through Thy mercy, O our God, who art blessed, and dost live, and govern all things, world without end.

Mozarabic.

I BESEECH Thee, my most gracious God,
 preserve me from the cares of this life,
 lest I should be too much entangled therein;
 and from the many necessities of the body,
 lest I should be ensnared by pleasure; and
 from whatsoever is an obstacle to the soul,
 lest, broken with troubles, I should be over-
 thrown.

Thomas à Kempis.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord, glory to Thee.

Glory to Thee who givest me sleep
 to recruit my weakness,
 and to remit the toils
 of this toilful flesh.

To this day and all days,
 a perfect, holy, peaceful, healthful course,
 Vouchsafe, O Lord.

The Angel of peace, a faithful guide,
 guardian of souls and bodies,
 to encamp around me,
 And ever to prompt what is for salvation,
 Vouchsafe, O Lord.

Pardon and remission
 of all sins and of all offences
 Vouchsafe, O Lord.

To our souls what is good and convenient,
 and peace to the world,
 Vouchsafe, O Lord.

A Christian close,
 without sin, without shame,
 and, should it please Thee, without pain,
 and a good answer
 at the judgment seat of Jesus Christ,
 Vouchsafe, O Lord.

Bishop Lancelot Andrewes.

I bind myself today:
 To the power of God to guide me,
 To the might of God to uphold me,
 To the wisdom of God to teach me,
 The eye of God to watch over me,
 The ear of God to hear me,
 The word of God to speak for me,
 The way of God to lie before me,
 The host of God to defend me.

St. Patrick.

GOD the Father bless me, Jesus Christ defend and keep me, the power of the Holy Ghost enlighten and sanctify me, now and forevermore. Amen.

For the Evening

PSALM xxxiv (continued)

COME, ye children, and hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord. What man is he that lusteth to live: and would fain see good days?

Keep thy tongue from evil : and thy lips, that they speak no guile.

Eschew evil, and do good : seek peace, and ensue it.

The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous : and his ears are open unto their prayers.

The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil : to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them : and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart : and will save such as be of an humble spirit.

Great are the troubles of the righteous : but the Lord delivereth him out of all.

He keepeth all his bones : so that not one of them is broken.

But misfortune shall slay the ungodly : and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.

The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants : and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.

WE give Thee thanks, O Lord, who hast preserved us through the day. We give Thee thanks, who wilt preserve us through the night. Bring us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, in safety to the morning

hours; that Thou mayest receive our praise at all times; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

—*Gelasian.*

Near as is the end of day,
so too the end of life:
We then, also remembering it,
beseech of Thee
for the close of our life,
that Thou wouldest direct it in peace,
Christian, acceptable, sinless, shameless,
and, if it please Thee, painless,
Lord, O Lord,
gathering us together
under the feet of Thy chosen
when Thou wilt, and as Thou wilt,
only without shame and sin.

To my weariness, O Lord,
vouchsafe Thou rest,
to my exhaustion
renew Thou strength.

Lighten mine eyes lest I sleep the sleep of death.

Deliver me from the terror by night,
the pestilence that walketh in darkness.

Give me sound sleep,
and to pass this night without fear,
O keeper of Israel,
who neither slumberest nor sleepest,
preserve me this night from all evil,
preserve my soul.

Reveal to me wisdom in the visions of the night.

Into Thy hands, O Lord, I commit myself, my spirit, soul, and body.

Bishop Lancelot Andrews.

THE day is past, O Lord, and we offer to Thee our evening sacrifice, humbly beseeching Thy Majesty that whatever in us is darkened by the night of sin may be illumined by the brightness of Thy light, and that while our eyes are closed in sleep, our minds may be awake to Thee, so that, at the close of night, we may welcome with Thy praises the return of day. Amen.

Mozarabic.

GUIDE us, O God, through the changing seasons, and preserve us through the successions of day and night, that, as by the gift of Thy mercy we have passed this day in safety, so we may pass this night in purity of mind and body well pleasing to Thee; through Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gothic.

O GOD, the eternal Light, the Splendor of the stars, the Clearness of the night, the uncomprehended Enlightener of the darkness; Grant us to pass this night in security and peace, and if we have this day contracted any stain of sin, do Thou,

the pitiful and merciful, forgive; hear our prayers, and grant our request; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Mozarabic.*

MAY the Almighty God order our days in His peace, and grant us the gifts of His blessing. Amen.

That, being adorned with the jewels of faith and hope and charity, we may pass unharmed through the present life, and safely reach the life eternal. Amen.

Gregorian.

O TRUE Light, which lightenest every man that cometh into this world, lighten my eyes that I sleep not in death.

O Fire that ever burnest, and never failest, lo, I am lukewarm, yea, cold. Kindle my heart that it may be on fire with love of Thee. For Thou camest to send a fire upon earth, and what willest Thou but that it be kindled?

O King of heaven and earth, rich in mercy; lo, I am poor and needy. Thou alone canst enrich me. Help me then, O my God, and out of the treasury of Thy goodness succour my poor soul.

Lo, I am Thy servant; give me understanding, and kindle my affections, that I may know and do Thy will. Amen.

E. B. Pusey.

Act of Faith

I FIRMLY believe, O my God, that Thou art One God in Three Persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that God the Son was made Man and died for us. Moreover, I believe all the truths which the Church believes and teaches, because Thou hast revealed them, who canst neither deceive nor be deceived.

Act of Hope

O MY God, relying upon Thy infinite power and mercy, and the precious Blood of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, I hope to obtain the forgiveness of my sins and everlasting life : and I hereby resolve, by Thy grace, to perform all that Thou hast revealed to me of Thy holy will.

Act of Love

O MY God, because Thou art of infinite goodness, and most worthy of all love, I love Thee with my whole heart, and above all things : and for Thy sake I love my neighbour as myself.

GOD Almighty bless me, and of His mercy vouchsafe to defend me, His presence and His love sustain and direct me. Amen.

SECTION IV

LITANIES

I.

(From the Book of Common Prayer)

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

THAT it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet:

That it may please thee to succour, help, and comfort, all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation:

That it may please thee to preserve all who travel by land or by water, all women in the perils of childbirth, all sick persons, and young children; and to show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives:

That it may please thee to defend, and provide for, the fatherless children, and widows, and all who are desolate and oppressed;

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men;

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts;

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so that in due time we may enjoy them;

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy Holy Word;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God, we beseech Thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world;

Grant us thy peace.

O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world;

Have mercy upon us.

Let us pray

WE humbly beseech thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and, for the glory of thy Name, turn from us all those evils that we most justly have deserved; and grant that in all our

troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy, and evermore serve thee in holiness and pureness of living, to thy honour and glory; through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

II.

(From *The Treasury of Devotion*)

GRACIOUSLY hear us, O Christ.
Graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.

That this and every day may be employed to the perfecting of holiness in Thy fear, and sweetened with the comforts of health, of peace, and innocence;

Grant, O Good Lord.

That all the sins, offences, and neglects of my days already gone may, by Thy mercy, be freely pardoned and entirely done away;

Grant, O Good Lord.

That it may please Thee to bless the world with prosperity and peace, but chiefly with such mercies as Thou knowest to be most expedient; for the good of all our souls;

Grant, O Good Lord.

Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report, if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise that I may think on these things and may do these things;

Grant, O Good Lord.

That the Angel of Peace, the holy guide of Thy children, the faithful guard set by Thee over their souls and bodies, may encamp round about me, and continually suggest to my mind such things as conduce to Thy glory, and to my salvation.

Grant, O Good Lord.

That since this life must shortly have an end; that mine may be concluded with a truly Christian death, a death perfectly void of sin and shame, and, if such be Thy good pleasure, as free from pain as may be;

Grant, O Good Lord.

That in the last day, being set at Thy Right Hand, I may hear those words of joy: Come, ye children of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world;

Grant, O Good Lord.

MAY the Almighty God have mercy on me, pardon all my sins, deliver me from all evil, preserve and strengthen me in all good, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

III.

(Especially for use in Lent)

We beseech Thee to hear us, O Christ.

THAT being dead to sin, we may live unto righteousness.

That we may not glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ;

That for love of Thee the world may be crucified unto us, and we unto the world;

That we may continually bear about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus;

That we may study to crucify the flesh with its affections and lusts;

That as Thou hast suffered for us in the flesh, we may be armed likewise with the same mind;

That we may be able to take up our cross daily, and follow Thee;

That what is gain to us we may count as loss for Thee:

That we may strive above all things to know Jesus crucified;

That Thy Blood may cleanse us from dead works to serve the living God;

That, being bought at a great price, we may glorify God in our body;

That, being dead unto sin, and buried with Thee, we may walk henceforth with Thee in newness of life;

That, once cleansed from dead works, we beware lest we crucify Thee, the Son of God, afresh, and put Thee to an open shame;

That, ever looking to the ensample left us by Thee, we may follow Thy steps;

That, as we are partakers of the suffering, we may be also of the consolation;

Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

NOTE. For Litany of the Resurrection see Kalendarium, page 100.

SECTION V

DEVOTIONS IN CHURCH

(Before and after Service)

THIS is none other but the House of God, and this is the Gate of Heaven.

Lord, I have loved the habitation of Thy house: and the place where Thine honour dwelleth.

O be favorable and gracious unto Zion: Build Thou the walls of Jerusalem.

I will come into Thine house, even upon the multitude of Thy mercy.

And in Thy fear will I worship towards Thy holy temple.

O LORD, open Thou our lips that we may bless Thy Holy Name; cleanse our hearts from all vain, evil, and wandering thoughts, that we may worthily and devoutly offer up our prayers and praises unto Thee, and so be meet to be heard in the presence of Thy Divine Majesty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

LORD God, of might inconceivable, of glory incomprehensible, of mercy immeasurable, of benignity ineffable; Do Thou O Master, look down upon us in Thy tender love, and show forth, towards us and those who pray with us, Thy rich mercies and compassions.

St. Chrysostom.

O LORD God, who hast taught us to pray all together, and hast promised to hear the united voices of two or three invoking Thy Name: Hear now, O Lord, the prayers of Thy servants unto their salvation, and give us in this world knowledge of Thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting.

Armenian.

O LORD, I humbly beg Thy Holy Spirit to help my infirmities, and to dispose my heart to devotion, that my prayers and praises may be acceptable in Thy sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

HEAR the voice of my prayer, O Lord, when I lift up my hands towards the mercy seat of Thy holy temple. Let Thine ear hearken unto the prayer that is made in this place, for Jesus Christ's sake.

MOST gracious God, forgive the imperfections of this Service, and vouchsafe to receive my prayers and praises and

thanksgiving. Abide with me and further me with Thy continual help, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

MERCIFULLY accept, O Lord, this our service and grant that we, striving to do Thy will on earth as it is done in Heaven, may there with Thy holy Angels ever praise Thy blessed Name.

FORGIVE us, O Lord, wherein we have failed to offer Thee acceptable worship, and grant that our prayers may be brought into Thy presence in Heaven, there to be offered before Thy divine majesty, through the merits and intercession of Thy blessed Son our Lord.

BLESSED be Thy Name, O Lord God, for that it hath pleased Thee to have Thy habitation among the sons of men, and to dwell in the midst of the assembly of the saints upon the earth: Grant, we beseech Thee, that in this place set apart to Thy service Thy holy Name may be worshipped in truth and purity through all generations; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SECTION VI
BENEDICTIO MENSAE

V. Bless we the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.*

BLESS, O Lord, these Thy gifts to our use and strengthen us for Thy service. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We thank Thee, Heavenly Father, for the light of this day, and for these Thy gifts which we are to receive, and pray Thee to bless them to our use.

O Lord, grant that whether we eat or drink, or whatsoever we do, we may do all to Thy glory, through, etc.

God be merciful unto us and bless us, in receiving our daily bread, for Jesus Christ's sake.

We thank Thee, Heavenly Father, for the food that we are to receive, and pray Thee to bless it to our use, for Jesus Christ's sake.

* These versicles may be used as preface to forms following.

Bless us, O Lord, and these Thy gifts which of Thy bounty we are about to receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For these and all His mercies, God's holy Name be praised, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Unto God, the Giver of every good gift, be thanks and praise for these and all His benefits, through Christ our Lord.

We give Thee thanks, Almighty God, for these and all Thy gifts which of Thy mercy we have received, who livest and reignest God, now and for ever.

V. The eyes of all wait upon Thee, O Lord, and Thou givest them their meat in due season.

R. Thou openest Thine hand and fillest all things living with plenteousness.

Bless, O Lord, this food to our use, for Christ's sake.

V. All Thy works praise Thee, O Lord:

R. And Thy saints give thanks unto Thee.

Thanks be to God, for these and all His bounties, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

V. Oculi omnium in Te sperant, Domine,
 R. Et tu das iis escam in tempore opportuno.

V. Aperis tu manum tuam:
 R. Et implis omne animal benedictione.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.
 Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper,
 Et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Benedic nobis, Domine Deus, et his donis quae ex tua largitate sumus sumpturi, per Jesum Christum, Dominum nostrum. Amen.

V. Confiteantur tibi, Domine, omnia opera tua;

R. Et sancti tui benedicant tibi.

Agimus Tibi gratias, Domine Deus Omnipotens, pro his et universis beneficiis Tuis, qui vivis et regnas in unitate Spiritus sancti, Deus, in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

SECTION VII

EXAMEN IN SINGULOS DIES

IN the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Try me, O God, and seek the ground of my heart;

Prove me, and examine my thoughts.

O Holy Spirit, show me wherein I have this day sinned against God, against my neighbor, against myself.

Help me to recall:

What “idle words” (St. Matt. xii, 36) I may have spoken.

What business I have transacted.

What work and duty I have done.

What amusements I have engaged in.

What I have read; what I have written.

What trials I have had to meet.

What temptations have assailed me.

What blessings have come to me.

Show me wherein I have failed:

In courtesy and kindness.

In helpful service.

In patience and self control.
In humility and reverence.
In honesty and truthfulness.
In diligence and courage.
In prayer and thanksgiving.
In realizing the Presence of God.
In charity and purity of thought, word,
and deed.

MAY the Almighty and merciful Lord grant to me pardon, absolution, and remission of all my sins, space for true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

GIVE me, O Lord, an obedient spirit, and a teachable mind; let me be cheerful without lightness, sorrowful yet rejoicing, fearing Thee without doubting, and trusting Thee without presumption. Let me be joyful at nothing but that which pleaseth Thee, and sorrowful for nothing but that which doth displease Thee; let labour for Thee be my delight, and all rest be a weariness out of Thee. Give me a waking spirit, and a diligent soul, that I may seek to know Thy will, and when I know it may perform it faithfully, to the honour and glory of Thy ever-blessed Name. Amen.

SECTION VIII

SUPPLICATIONES

PSALM lxix. *Salvum me fac.*

SAVE me, O God : for the waters are come in, even unto my soul.

I stick fast in the deep mire, where no ground is : I am come into deep waters, so that the floods run over me.

I am weary of crying; my throat is dry: my sight faileth me for waiting so long upon my God.

Hear me, O God, in the multitude of thy mercy: even in the truth of thy salvation.

Take me out of the mire, that I sink not: O let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.

Let not the water-flood drown me, neither let the deep swallow me up: and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.

Hear me, O Lord, for thy loving-kindness is comfortable: turn thee unto me according to the multitude of thy mercies.

And hide not thy face from thy servant for I am in trouble: O haste thee, and hear me.

As for me, when I am poor and in heaviness: thy help, O God, shall lift me up.

I will praise the Name of God with a song: and magnify it with thanksgiving.

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

Remove from me, O Lord:

Hypocrisy and lying;
Indolence and fraud;
Envy and anger;
Covetousness and pride;
Vanity and irreverence;
Every evil thought;
Every base desire;
Every corrupt imagination.

Give to me, O Lord:

Humility and patience;
Sobriety and contentment;
Purity and self respect;
Affection and obedience;
Faith, Hope, and Charity;
A useful and happy life;
Good thoughts, and perseverance unto the end.

LORD Jesus, from whom all grace comes, give me grace to feel my need of grace, and give me grace to seek for grace, then give me grace to receive grace; and when

grace is given me, give me grace to use grace.

Great art Thou, O Lord, and greatly to be praised, for Thou madest us for Thyself, and our heart is restless until it repose in Thee.

St. Augustine.

O hold Thou up my goings in Thy paths: that my footsteps slip not.

Keep me as the apple of an eye: hide me under the shadow of Thy wings.

Hear me, O Lord, for Thy loving-kindness is comfortable: turn Thee unto me according to the multitude of Thy mercies.

Thou art my helper and my redeemer: O Lord, make no long tarrying.

Cast me not away in the time of age: forsake me not when my strength faileth me.

Turn us again, O Lord God of hosts: show the light of Thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

Open Thou mine eyes: that I may see the wondrous things of Thy law.

Unto Thee have I cried, O Lord: and early shall my prayer come before Thee.

Lord, teach us to pray.

Thou that hearest the prayer,

Unto Thee shall all flesh come.

CREATE a clean heart in me, O God.
 An humble heart. A meek heart. A
 peaceful heart. A benevolent heart. A
 devout heart. Which doeth evil to no man.
 Which repayeth not evil for evil; but, for
 evil, good. Which loveth Thee above all
 things; thinketh always upon Thee; speak-
 eth concerning Thee; giveth Thee thanks;
 taketh delight in hymns and spiritual songs;
 hath its conversation in Heaven.

Savonarola.

Be, Lord,
 within me to strengthen me,
 without me to guard me,
 over me to shelter me,
 beneath me to stablish me,
 before me to guide me,
 after me to forward me,
 round about me to secure me.

Bishop Lancelot Andrewes.

Mon Dieu, protégez moi; mon navire est
 si petit, et votre mer est si grande!

Breton Sailors' Prayer.

LORD God Almighty, open wide the door
 of our heart and illumine it with the
 grace of the Holy Spirit, that it may seek
 such things as are well-pleasing to Thy
 will. Guide our thoughts and our heart,
 and dispose our life in the way of Thy

commandments, that we may ever diligently seek to fulfill them, and that we may apprehend the eternal joys of the heavenly life; through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Venerable Bede.

GIVE me, O Lord, purity of lips, a clean and innocent heart, and rectitude of action. Give me humility, patience, abstinence, chastity, prudence, justice, fortitude, temperance. Give me the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and strength, the Spirit of knowledge and godliness, and of Thy fear. Make me ever to seek Thy face with all my heart, all my soul, all my mind; grant me to have a contrite and humbled heart in Thy presence, to prefer nothing to Thy love. Most high, eternal, and ineffable Wisdom, drive away from me the darkness of blindness and ignorance; most high and eternal Strength, deliver me; most high and eternal Fortitude, assist me; most high and incomprehensible Light, illuminate me; most high and infinite Mercy, have mercy on me.

Gallican.

GRANT, Almighty God, that by Thy mercy our minds may not be cast down by any troubles of this life; that no hurtful temptation may have dominion over them,

nor any darkness of unbelief hold them captive; but, illuminated by the light of Thy countenance shining upon us, may we ever walk securely upon the sure ground of the true Faith. Amen. *Mozarabic.*

O GOD, let me not seek out of Thee what I can only find in Thee, peace and rest, and joy and bliss. Lift up my soul above the weary round of harassing thoughts to Thine eternal Presence, to the pure, serene, radiant atmosphere of Thy Presence, that there I may breathe freely, there repose in Thy love, there be at rest from myself, and from all things which weary me; and thence return, arrayed with Thy peace, to do and to bear whatsoever shall please Thee. Let nothing disturb my soul, fixed on Thee; nothing draw it down, upheld by Thee; nothing turn it aside, directed by Thee. With my whole heart may I seek Thee, and seeking Thee may I find Thee; and finding Thee may I stretch forth unto Thee, and never cease or fail to stretch forth unto Thee, until in the end, by Thy grace and mercy, I may arrive at Thee. Let me not be discouraged, O God, my hope. Give me perseverance unto the end, that living or dying I may be Thine; through the merits of Jesus Christ my Lord and my God. *E. B. Pusey.*

O THOU who art the everlasting essence of things, beyond space and time, and yet within them; Thou who transcendest yet pervadest all things; manifest Thyself unto us, feeling after Thee, and seeking Thee in the shades of ignorance. Stretch forth Thy hand to help us, who cannot without Thee come to Thee; and reveal Thyself unto us who seek nothing beside Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Johannes Scotus Erigena.

RESTORE unto me the joy of Thy salvation." I recall how great peace, how great tranquility of soul I did enjoy, when I rejoiced in the Lord, and exulted in God my Jesus. Yea, now I grieve the more, because I know what I have lost. I know what very great benefits I have lost. Yea, I clamor importunately, "Restore to me the joy of Thy salvation": Restore what Thou hast taken away from me on account of my sins: restore what I have lost through my own fault: restore, I beseech Thee, through His merits, who ever standeth at Thy right hand and maketh intercession for us. That through Him I may feel that Thou art reconciled to me; that the seal is set upon my heart; that I may say with

the Apostle—I am nailed to the Cross with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me.

Girolamo Savonarola.

O MOST merciful Jesus, grant to me Thy grace, that it may be with me, and work with me, and continue with me even to the end. Grant that I may always desire and will that which is to Thee most acceptable, and most dear. Let Thy will be mine, and let my will ever follow Thine, and agree perfectly with it.

Thomas à Kempis.

ASSIST us mercifully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers, and dispose the way of thy servants towards the attainment of everlasting salvation; that, among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by thy most gracious and ready help; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE Almighty, Merciful God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, bless and preserve us, now and forevermore. Amen.

SECTION IX

INTERCESSIONES

THESE words spake Jesus, and said: Father, I pray for them which thou hast given me, for they are thine. I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. . . . Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word. Father, I will that they whom thou hast given me be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory which thou hast given me; for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world. St. John xvii.

- Let us beseech the Lord in peace,
for the heavenly peace,
and the salvation of our souls;
for the peace of the whole world;
for the stability of God's holy Churches,
and the union of them all;
for all the faithful;
for salubrious weather, fruitfulness of earth;

and peaceful times;
for voyagers, travellers,
those who are in sickness, toil, and captivity,
and for their salvation;
Aid, save, pity, and preserve them,
O God, in thy grace.

Bishop Lancelot Andrewes.

BESTOW, O Lord, upon Thy Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church throughout the world the rich gifts of Thine all-holy Spirit. Remember, O Lord, our fathers and brethren toiling hard, and ministering unto us, for Thy holy Name's sake. Remember, O Lord, all for good; have mercy on all, give peace to the multitudes of Thy people; stay the divisions in the Churches, and the rising up of heresies; grant Thy peace and Thy love to us, O God our Saviour, the Hope of all the ends of the earth. Remember, O Lord, those who bear fruit and labour honourably in Thy holy Churches, and all who have desired us to remember them in our prayers. Vouchsafe to remember all the saints that have been well-pleasing to Thee from one generation to another since the world began; patriarchs, prophets, Apostles, martyrs, confessors, teachers, and every just spirit made perfect in the faith of Thy Christ. Remember, O Lord God, all of whom we have made mention, and of whom we have not made mention, who are of the

true Faith; unto them do Thou give rest there in the land of the living, in Thy kingdom, in the joy of Paradise, whence pain and grief and lamentation have fled; there the light of Thy countenance looks upon them, and enlightens them forever. Make the end of our lives Christian, acceptable, blameless, and peaceful, O Lord, gathering us together with Thine elect, when Thou wilt, and as Thou wilt; through Thy only-begotten Son, our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Liturgy of St. James.

ALMIGHTY God, who didst send Thy only begotten Son into the world that He might draw all men unto Him; Gather again, we beseech Thee, Thy scattered people into one communion and fellowship, that the world may believe that Thou hast sent Him, and may Thy Kingdom come; through the same, etc.

O GOD, by whose command the moments of our life run their course: Receive our prayers for Thy servants lying sick, on whose behalf we implore Thy mercy; that our fears on account of their danger may be turned into joy at their recovery.

O God, the Comfort of the sad, the Strength of sufferers, let the prayers of those that cry out of any tribulation come unto Thee; that all may rejoice to find that Thy

mercy is present with them in their afflictions; through Christ our Lord. *Gelasian.*

O LORD GOD, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity. Root out from among us all sin and wickedness, all discord and infidelity, all errors and false opinions. Rebuke the erring, convert the unbelieving. Bring back into the unity of the Church all those that are in schism, and show unto them the light of Thy grace. Defend from all adversity, both of body and soul, the Bishops, Pastors, and Governors of Thy Church, and all who are in authority. Convert sinners to true repentance. Preserve the righteous in the good way. Confirm all their thoughts, words, and works. Have mercy, O Lord, upon all men, and strengthen in Thy service those who are dedicated to Thee. Provide for all those who labour with their hands; raise up those who are oppressed with grief; heal the sick; supply the wants of all who are in need; grant unto travellers a return to their home; bring to a haven of safety those in perils of the sea; give joy to those who are labouring with child; and deliverance to captives. Recompense one hundredfold those whom I have injured. Direct in the way of life all united to me by ties of kindred or friendship, all whose labour or help I make use of; all who pray for me, or desire my prayers,

and all who think kindly of me. Hear them in whatsoever trouble they call upon Thee. Vouchsafe both to our enemies and to ourselves constant charity. May we all have patience, kindness, and pity; and may envy, wrath, and bitterness be far from us. O most merciful Father, have mercy upon the souls of all who have fallen asleep in Christ, especially on my relations, and on those with whom I have been intimate; to all who have departed in Thy faith, grant, O Lord, eternal rest, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.

Treasury of Devotion.

LORD Jesus Christ, set Thy Passion, Thy Cross, and Thy Death, between Thy judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Vouchsafe to the living mercy and grace in this life here; to them that are dead, forgiveness and rest; to the Church and the State, peace and concord; and to us sinful men, life and glory without end; who livest and reignest, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

York.

O CHRIST our God, who willest Thy disciples to be known by their love one to another; Receive the prayers which we offer unto Thee for ourselves and those who are dear to us, that their lives may be free from sin, and filled with all virtues, that, having obtained remission of their iniqui-

ties, they may after their departure appear before Thee without confusion, so that those whom faithful love has united here may enjoy together the consolation of eternal happiness. Amen.

Mozarabic.

O GOD, from whose Spirit none can escape, and from whose presence none may flee; We pray for those Thy children who have forgotten Thee and have gone apart in disobedience to Thy will and neglect of Thy holy Church and Sacra-ments. May Thy Holy Spirit cease not to strive with them, may Thy exceeding great love still plead with them, to bring them home to Thyself again, that they may rejoice in Thy salvation and glorify Thy blessed Name.

O LORD Jesus Christ, our sympathizing Saviour, who for man didst bear the Agony and the Cross; Draw Thou near to Thy suffering servants, in their pain of body or trouble of mind (especially N. N.); hallow all their crosses in this life; and crown them hereafter where all tears are wiped away; where, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, Thou livest and reignest, One God, world without end.

York.

GOD the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, bless, preserve, and keep us, now and forevermore.

SECTION X

CONSOLATIONES

PSALM lxxxvi. *Inclina, Domine.*

BOW down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me: for I am poor, and in misery.

Preserve thou my soul, for I am holy: my God, save thy servant that putteth his trust in thee.

Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I will call daily upon thee.

Comfort the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

For thou, Lord, art good and gracious: and of great mercy unto all them that call upon thee.

Give ear, Lord, unto my prayer: and ponder the voice of my humble desires.

In the time of my trouble I will call upon thee: for thou hearest me.

But thou, O Lord God, art full of compassion and mercy: long-suffering, plenteous in goodness and truth.

O turn thee then unto me, and have mercy upon me: give thy strength unto

thy servant, and help the son of thine handmaid.

Show some token upon me for good; that they who hate me may see it, and be ashamed: because thou, Lord, hast holpen me, and comforted me.

THE sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt thou not despise.

O what great troubles and adversities hast thou showed me: and yet didst thou turn and refresh me: yea, and broughtest me from the deep of the earth again.

Yea, like as a father pitith his own children: even so is the Lord merciful unto them that fear him.

I will remember the works of the Lord: and call to mind thy wonders of old time.

If the Lord had not helped me: it had not failed, but my soul had been put to silence.

In the multitude of the sorrows that I had in my heart: thy comforts have refreshed my soul.

I called upon the Lord in trouble: and the Lord heard me at large.

Before I was troubled I went wrong: but now have I kept thy word.

It is good for me that I have been in trouble: that I may learn thy statutes.

For his wrath endureth but the twinkling

of an eye, and in his pleasure is life: heaviness may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.

O cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall nourish thee: and shall not suffer the righteous to fall forever.

The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart : and will save such as be of an humble spirit.

THE Lord hear thee in the day of trouble, the Name of the God of Jacob defend thee : send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Sion.

Remember all thy offerings, and accept thy burnt sacrifice; grant thee thy heart's desire, and fulfil all thy mind.

I waited for the Lord, and he inclined unto me and heard my calling.

He brought me out of the horrible pit, he set my feet upon the rock, and ordered my goings;

And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even a thanksgiving unto our God.

THOU shalt cause me to hear of joy and gladness, when I hear what Mary heard.

And what did Mary hear?

Of her I speak who wept at Thy feet. What, then, did she hear? Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.

And I shall hear what the robber heard: This day thou shalt be with Me in Paradise. Therefore I shall have joy for the remission of sins; gladness for the promise of blessings.

And shall I not rejoice, and shall I not be glad, when Thou hast granted pardon for all my sins?

Then shall I begin to taste of joy, since Thou art good, O Lord.

Then shall I learn to dwell in heavenly places.

Then shall I say with the prophet, How plentiful is Thy goodness, which Thou hast hid away for them that fear Thee!

Then shall I rejoice and be glad.

Girolamo Savonarola.

BOTH above and below, without and within, which way soever thou dost turn thee, everywhere thou shalt find the cross; and everywhere of necessity thou must hold fast patience, if thou wilt have inward peace, and enjoy an everlasting crown.

Thomas à Kempis.

THEY shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.

For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters; and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

PEACE I leave with you, my peace I give unto you. Not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows, yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God and afflicted.

He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed.

THESE are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb; therefore are they before the Throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His Temple.

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them.

Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him.

O GOD, if only our wills be right towards Thine, do to us whatever it may please Thee. If it be Thy will that we should be in light, be Thou blessed; if it be Thy will that we should be in darkness, be Thou also blessed; if Thou vouchsafe to comfort us, be

Thou blessed; if Thou afflictest us, be Thou also blessed. We cheerfully receive whatsoever Thou dost appoint, and for all that befalleth us we give thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Thomas à Kempis.*

O GOD of peace and charity, deliver us from all temptation, assist us in every conflict, console us in every tribulation. Give us patience in adversity, and grace to worship Thee with a pure conscience, and to serve Thee with all our strength. We bless Thee, we thank Thee, we magnify Thee, day by day. Let our praises be pleasing to Thee, and our prayer acceptable.

Gallican.

THE Lord bless us and keep us; the Lord make His face to shine upon us, and be gracious unto us; the Lord lift up His countenance upon us, and give us peace; both now and forevermore.

SECTION XI

CONFIRMATIONES

PSALM xcii. *Qui habitat.*

WHOSO dwelleth under the defence of the Most High : shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope, and my stronghold: my God, in him will I trust.

For he shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter: and from the noisome pestilence.

He shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under his feathers: his faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

Thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by night : nor for the arrow that flieth by day;

For the pestilence that walketh in darkness : nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noon-day.

A thousand shall fall beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand : but it shall not come nigh thee.

Yea, with thine eyes shalt thou behold :
and see the reward of the ungodly.

For thou, Lord, art my hope : thou hast
set thine house of defence very high.

There shall no evil happen unto thee :
neither shall any plague come nigh thy
dwelling.

For he shall give his angels charge over
thee : to keep thee in all thy ways.

They shall bear thee in their hands : that
thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.

Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder :
the young lion and the dragon shalt thou
tread under thy feet.

Because he hath set his love upon me,
therefore will I deliver him : I will set him
up, because he hath known my Name.

He shall call upon me, and I will hear
him : yea, I am with him in trouble ; I will
deliver him, and bring him to honour.

With long life will I satisfy him : and
show him my salvation.

THEY that wait upon the Lord shall re-
new their strength ; they shall mount
up with wings as eagles ; they shall run and
not be weary ; and they shall walk and not
faint.

Sing, O heavens ; and be joyful, O earth ;
and break forth into singing, O mountains ;
for the Lord hath comforted his people, and
will have mercy upon his afflicted.

THE Lord liveth; and blessed be my strong helper: and praised be the God of my salvation.

O how plentiful is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee: and that thou hast prepared for them that put their trust in thee, even before the sons of men!

Be strong, and he shall establish your heart: all ye that put your trust in the Lord.

Why art thou so heavy, O my soul: and why art thou so disquieted within me?

O put thy trust in God: for I will yet give him thanks, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

Whom have I in heaven but thee: and there is none upon the earth that I desire in comparison of thee.

The Lord is King, be the people never so impatient: he sitteth between the Cherubim, be the earth never so unquiet.

OUR fathers hoped in thee: they trusted in thee, and thou didst deliver them.

Thou art my helper and redeemer; make no long tarrying, O my God.

Our help standeth in the name of the Lord: who hath made heaven and earth.

IN God's word will I rejoice : in the Lord's word will I comfort me.

Yea, in God have I put my trust : I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.

O set me up upon the rock that is higher than I : for thou hast been my hope, and a strong tower for me against the enemy.

My flesh and my heart faileth : but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

The Lord shall give strength unto his people: the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

THOU, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hands.

They shall perish, but thou shalt endure: they all shall wax old as doth a garment;

And as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

How excellent is thy mercy, O God, and the children of men shall put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.

Why art thou so vexed, O my soul: and why art thou so disquieted within me?

O put thy trust in God: for I will yet thank him, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

MY heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed. I will hope in the Lord, I will abide patiently in him.

O my soul, wait thou still upon God, for my hope is in him; in God is my health and my glory, the rock of my might, and in God is my trust.

DIVINE charity overcometh all things and enlargeth all the powers of the soul. Nothing is sweeter than love, nothing more courageous, nothing higher, nothing wider, nothing more pleasant, nothing fuller nor better in heaven and earth; because love is born of God, and cannot rest but in God, above all created things.

O LORD, what Thou sayest is true. Thy care for me is greater than all the care that I can take for myself. For he standeth but very unsafely, who casteth not all his care upon Thee. O Lord, if only my will may remain right and firm towards Thee, do with me whatsoever it shall please Thee. For it cannot be any thing but good, whatsoever Thou shalt do with me.

Are not all painful labors to be endured for the sake of life eternal? It is no small matter, to lose or to gain the kingdom of God. Lift up thy face therefore unto heaven; behold, I and all My saints with Me, who in this world had great conflicts,

do now rejoice, are now comforted, now secure, now at rest, and they shall remain with Me everlasting in the kingdom of My Father.

Thomas à Kempis.

NOW the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

REST comes at length, though life be long
and dreary,
The day must dawn, and darksome night
be past;
Faith's journeys end in welcome to the
weary,
And heaven, the heart's true home, will
come at last.

F. W. Faber.

SECTION XII

LAUDATIONES

GLORY to God in the highest,
And on earth peace, good will towards
men.

O let my mouth be filled with thy praise:
that I may sing of thy glory and honour all
the day long.

Thou hast brought me to great honour
and comforted me on every side.

The lot is fallen unto me in a fair
ground: yea, I have a goodly heritage.

Thou shalt show me the path of life; in
thy presence is the fulness of joy; and at
thy right hand there is pleasure forever
more.

LET thy priests be clothed with right-
eousness: and let thy saints sing with
joyfulness.

Thou, O God, sentest a gracious rain
upon thine inheritance: and refreshedst it
when it was weary.

O that men would therefore praise the
Lord for his goodness: and declare the

wonders that he doeth for the children of men.

For thy mercy is greater than the heavens: and thy truth reacheth unto the clouds.

Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord: and my mouth shall show thy praise.

GLORY be to thee, O Lord, for thy mercy. Praise the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me praise his holy Name.

What reward shall I give unto the Lord: for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?

I will thank thee, for thou hast heard me: and art become my salvation.

I WILL sing of the Lord, because he hath dealt so lovingly with me: yea, I will praise the Name of the Lord most highest.

Be thou, exalted, Lord, in thine own strength: so will we sing, and praise thy power.

Sing praises unto the Lord, O ye saints of his: and give thanks unto him, for a remembrance of his holiness.

O God, wonderful art thou in thy holy places: even the God of Israel, he will give strength and power unto his people. Blessed be God.

Blessed be the Lord God, even the God

of Israel: which only doeth wondrous things.

And blessed be the Name of his majesty for ever; and all the earth shall be filled with his majesty. Amen, Amen.

O ALL ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise him and magnify him forever.

O ye children of men, bless ye the Lord: praise him and magnify him forever.

O ye Priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise him and magnify him forever.

O ye servants of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise him and magnify him forever.

O ye Spirits and Souls of the Righteous, bless ye the Lord: praise him and magnify him forever.

O ye holy and humble men of heart, bless ye the Lord: praise him and magnify him forever.

THINE, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty; for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. Thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and thou art exalted as head above all.

WORTHY is the Lamb that was slain
 To receive power, and riches, and
 wisdom,
 And strength, and honor, and glory, and
 blessing;
 Salvation to our God which sitteth upon
 the throne,
 And unto the Lamb.
 Amen. Blessing, and glory, and wisdom,
 And thanksgiving, and honor, and power,
 and might,
 Be unto our God forever and ever. Amen.

THOU art my glory, Thou art the joy of
 my heart. In Thee will I glory and
 rejoice all the day, but as for myself, I will
 not glory, but in my infirmities. O Blessed
 Trinity, to Thee alone be praise, honor,
 power, and glory for ever and ever.

Thomas à Kempis.

O GOD, who art life, wisdom, truth,
 bounty, and blessedness, the eternal, the
 only true good, our God and our Lord, who
 art our hope and our heart's joy, we ac-
 knowledge with thanksgiving that Thou
 hast made us in Thine image, and that we
 may direct our thoughts to Thee. Lord,
 make us to know Thee aright, that we may
 love, enjoy, and possess Thee more and
 more; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

St. Anselm.

LORD Jesus Christ, to whom glory is sung in the Highest, while on earth peace is proclaimed to men of goodwill; grant a good will to us Thy servants, cleanse us from all our sins, and grant perpetual peace to us and to all people; through Thy mercy, O our God, who art blessed, world without end. Amen. *Mozarabic.*

THROUGH the tender mercy of our God, the Dayspring from on high hath visited us. Glory be to Thee, O Lord, Creator of the light, and Enlightener of the world, Thou who didst create the visible light, Thou who also didst create the light invisible, the light which never sets; that which may be known of God, the Law written in the heart: the oracles of the prophets, the melody of the Psalms, the instruction of the Proverbs, the experience of Histories. God is the Lord who hath showed us light.

Bishop Andrewes.

NOW unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

St. Francis' "Canticle of the Sun"

(Matthew Arnold's translation)

O MOST high, almighty, good Lord God,
to Thee belong praise, glory, honor, and
all blessing!

Praised be my Lord God with all His
creatures, and specially our brother
the sun, who brings us the day and who
brings us the light; fair is he and shines
with a great splendor:

O Lord, he signifies to us Thee!

Praised be my Lord for our sister
the moon and for the stars, the
which He has set clear and lovely in
heaven.

Praised be my Lord for our brother
the wind, and for air and cloud, calms,
and all weather by the which Thou
upholdest life in all creatures.

Praised be my Lord for our sister water;
who is very serviceable unto us and humble
and precious and clean.

Praised be my Lord for our brother fire,
through whom Thou givest us light in the
darkness: and he is bright and pleasant
and very mighty and strong.

Praised be my Lord for our mother the earth, the which doth sustain us and keep us, and bringeth forth divers fruits and flowers of many colors, and grass.

Praised be my Lord for all those who pardon one another for His love's sake, and who endure weakness and tribulation: blessed are they who peaceably shall endure, for Thou, O Most Highest, shalt give them a Crown.

Praised be my Lord for our sister, the death of the body, from which no man escapeth. Woe to him who dieth in mortal sin! Blessed are they who are found walking by Thy most holy will; for the second death shall have no power to do them harm.

Praise ye and bless the Lord, and give thanks unto Him and serve Him with great humility.

SECTION XIII

FOR CLERGY, TEACHERS, AND
STUDENTS

HE that hath ears to hear let him hear.
Blessed are they that hear the Word
of God and keep it.

Whoso keepeth His word,
In him verily hath the love of God been
perfected.

OGOD, I beseech Thee, that Thy mercy
may so prevent and follow me, that
whatsoever things I should know for my sal-
vation, and know not, Thou wilt teach me;
that in those things which I know truly
Thou wilt keep me; that in those true things
in which I falter Thou wilt stablish me;
that in those things in which as a man I am
mistaken Thou wilt correct me; that from
all things that are false, and from all that
are hurtful, Thou wilt deliver me; and
that Thou wilt give me to speak such things
as are approved most chiefly in the sight
of Thy truth, and such as may find accep-
tance with all Thy faithful people; through
Jesus Christ our Lord. *St. Fulgentius.*

ALMIGHTY God, most humbly we beseech Thee, that we who especially desire to dedicate our minds to Thy service may by Thee be enriched in all utterance and in all knowledge; that, using Thy gifts to Thy glory, we may be blameless in Thy holy sight, through the merits of our Example, Teacher, and Saviour, Jesus Christ our Lord.

WE entreat Thee, O Lord our God, kindle and inflame our hearts and understandings to comprehend the things that have been written by the grace of Thine inspiration, and so bless and consecrate our studies, that by learning and by teaching we may through Thy help be enabled to win many to Thee, and to present all those committed to us faultless before Thy Majesty; to whom be glory and dominion now and for ever.

Egbert.

VOUCHSAFE, O gracious and holy Father, to bestow upon me intellect to understand Thee, perception to perceive Thee, reason to discern Thee, diligence to seek Thee, wisdom to find Thee, a spirit to know Thee, a heart to meditate upon Thee, ears to hear Thee, eyes to behold Thee, a tongue to proclaim Thee, a conversation pleasing to Thee, patience to wait for Thee, and perseverance to look for Thee. Grant

me a perfect end, Thy holy presence, a blessed resurrection, and Thy recompense, everlasting life. Amen. *St. Benedict.*

O ALMIGHTY and eternal God, from whom we come and to whom we and all things move, we acknowledge that every good and perfect gift descendeth from Thee. We pray Thee, therefore, send Thy blessing down on us Thy servants, who apply ourselves to sacred studies; guide and assist our work, which we have undertaken with Thy favour, and have consecrated to Thy service. O Father of lights, give us understanding, that we may know and uphold Thy truth, to the glory of Thy Name, the good of Thy Church, the growth of true religion, and the salvation of our own souls; through Jesus Christ Thy Son, our Lord.

Bishop Pearson.

O GRACIOUS God, and most merciful Father, who hast vouchsafed us the rich and precious jewel of Thy Holy Word; assist us with Thy Spirit, that it may be written in our hearts to our everlasting comfort, to reform us, to renew us according to Thine own image, to build us up and edify us into the perfect building of Thy Christ, sanctifying and increasing in us all heavenly virtues. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake.

Edward VI.

O LORD our God, who by Thine holy Apostles didst make known unto us the mystery of the glorious Gospel of Thy Christ, and didst give them according to the immeasurable gift of Thy grace, to preach among all nations the good tidings of the unsearchable riches of Thy mercy; We pray Thee, our Master, account us worthy of a part and a lot with them. Grant us evermore to follow their footsteps, and to imitate their conduct, and to have fellowship with them in the labors which they accepted for godliness' sake. Watch over Thine holy Church which Thou hast founded by their means, and bless the sheep of Thy flock, and make to grow this vine which Thy right hand hath planted; in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Coptic.

O GOD, Light of the minds that see Thee, Life of the souls that love Thee, and Strength of the thoughts that seek Thee; Enlarge our minds and raise the vision of our hearts that, with swift wings of thought, our spirits may reach Thee, the Eternal Wisdom, who art from everlasting to everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

St. Augustine.

GRANT, O Christ, that Thy whole Church, which is dispersed throughout all the world, may be gathered in the bosom

of unity by Thy grace. And though she spread herself abroad amidst the diversity of many races, yet may she suffer no division of her Faith. Dissolve the factions of self-willed opinion which seek to overthrow the Faith, which strive to corrupt the truth; that as Thou art acknowledged in heaven and earth to be the one and only Lord, so all nations, as one people, may serve Thee in the unity of the one Faith. Amen.

Mozarabic.

O GOD, the Shepherd and Ruler of all the faithful, look graciously upon Thy servant, N., whom Thou hast chosen to preside over Thy Church in this Diocese [or Parish]. Grant that both by word and example he may profit those over whom he is placed, so that, together with the flock committed to him, he may obtain eternal life; Through, etc.

Sarum.

ALMIGHTY and Everlasting God, mercifully hear the supplications of us Thy servants; and grant unto this Parish [or Diocese] all things that are needful for its spiritual welfare. Strengthen and confirm the faithful; visit and relieve the sick; turn and soften the wicked; rouse the careless; recover the fallen; restore the penitent; remove all hindrances to the advancement of Thy truth, and bring all to be of one heart

and mind within the fold of Thy Holy Church, to the honour and glory of Thy Blessed Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth; We commend to Thy fatherly care all whom Thou hast called to take part in the missionary work of Thy Church. Defend them from all dangers both of body and soul; give Thine Angels charge concerning them; let Thy Holy Spirit rule in their hearts, and prosper their work to the glory of Thy Holy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O ALMIGHTY God, do Thou assist us with Thy grace, that we who have undertaken the office of the priesthood may be able to serve Thee worthily and devoutly, in all purity, and with a good conscience. And if we live not in so great innocency as we ought to do, grant to us at the least, worthily to lament the sins which we have committed; and in the spirit of humility, and with the full purpose of a good will, to serve Thee more earnestly for the time to come.

Thomas à Kempis.

O BLESSED Lord! how much I need
Thy Light to guide me on my way!
So many hands that without heed,
Still touch Thy Wounds, and make them bleed;

So many feet that day by day
 Still wander from Thy Fold astray;
 Unless Thou fill me with Thy Light
 I cannot guide Thy flock aright,
 Nor without Thy support can bear
 The burden of so great a care.

FOR SCHOOL AND FAMILY

Antiphon. And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature; and in favour with God and man. Alleluia.

V. As the apple-tree among the trees of the wood,

R. So is My beloved among the sons.

V. As the lily among thorns,

R. So is My love among the daughters.
 Alleluia.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast promised that Thy holy City Jerusalem shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof; Give Thy sure protection to our school-children, as in their prayers and studies, so also in their sports and exercise. Make them chaste and strong, brave and gentle, loving and obedient; that bringing their bodies into subjection, and with Thy holy angels to shield them, they may obtain not only earthly rewards, but also eternal blessings; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Order of S. Anne.

O GOD, who hast been pleased to set before us the admirable pattern of the Holy Family; Grant that, following the footsteps of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, we of this house may be united here in domestic love and virtue, and never be separated throughout eternity; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Ambrosian.

O LORD Jesus Christ, we beseech Thee, by the innocence and obedience of Thy holy childhood, and by Thy love for little children, do Thou guard the children of our land; preserve their innocence, strengthen them in weakness, recover the erring, and remove all that may hinder them from being brought up in Thy faith and love; who livest.

VISIT, O Lord, we pray Thee, our schools and colleges with Thy love and favour. Give grace and wisdom to their rulers and teachers, that they may faithfully serve before Thee. Shelter with the arms of Thy love and mercy all who teach and all who are instructed therein. Open the hearts and hands of Thy people for the endowment of our schools, and recompense with the riches of Thine everlasting Kingdom the Founders, Patrons, and Benefactors of the same, for Jesus Christ's sake.

Ad Hesperas

(*Ex Libro Precum Publicarum*)

DIRIGATUR oratio mea sicut incensum in conspectu tuo; elevatio manuum mearum sacrificium vespertinum.

Lucerna, Domine, pedibus meis sunt tua dicta, meoque lux itinere.

Revela meos oculos, ut videam tuae legis miracula.

PATER noster, qui es in coelis, Sanctificetur Nomen tuum. Adveniat regnum tuum. Fiat voluntas tua, Sicut in coelo, et in terra. Panem nostrum quotidianum da nobis hodie. Et dimitte nobis debita nostra, Sicut et nos dimittimus debitoribus nostris. Et ne nos inducas in temptationem; Sed libera nos a malo; Quia tuum est regnum, potentia, et gloria, In saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Domine, labia nostra aperies.

Et os nostrum annuntiabit laudem tuam.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Laudate Dominum,

Sit Nomen Domini benedictum.

Magnum

ST. LUC. i. 46.

MAGNIFICAT: anima mea Dominum.
Et exultavit spiritus meus : in Deo
salutari meo.

Quia respexit humilitatem ancillae suae :
ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes
generationes.

Quia fecit mihi magna qui potens est :
et sanctum Nomen ejus.

Et misericordia ejus a progenie in pro-
genies : timentibus eum.

Fecit potentiam in brachio suo : dispersit
superbos mente cordis sui.

Deposit potentes de sede : et exaltavit
humiles.

Esurientes implevit bonis : et divites
dimisit inanes.

Suscepit Israel puerum suum : recorda-
tus misericordiae suae.

Sicut locutus est ad patres nostros : Abra-
ham, et semini ejus in saecula.

Gloria Patri, etc.

CREDO in Deum, Patrem Omnipoten-
tem, Creatorem coeli et terrae:

Et in Jesum Christum, Filium ejus uni-
cum, Dominum nostrum. Qui conceptus
est de Spiritu Sancto, Natus ex Maria
Virgine, Passus sub Pontio Pilato, Cru-
cifixus, mortuus, et sepultus, Descendit ad

inferos; Tertia die resurrexit a mortuis,
Ascendit ad coelos, Sedet ad dexteram Dei
Patris Omnipotentis; Inde venturus est
judicare vivos et mortuos.

Credo in Spiritum Sanctum; Sanctam
Ecclesiam Catholicam; Sanctorum Com-
munionem; Remissionem peccatorum; Car-
nis Resurrectionem, Et vitam aeternam.
Amen.

Ostende nobis, Domine, misericordiam
tuam.

Et salutare tuum da nobis.

Domine, salvum fac Patriam.

Et exaudi nos in die qua invocaverimus
te.

Sacerdotes tui induantur justitiam.

Et sancti tui exultent.

Salvum fac populum tuum, Domine.

Et benedic haereditati tuae.

Da pacem, Domine, in diebus nostris.

Quia non est aliis qui in spe constituit
nos, nisi tu, Deus noster.

Cor mundum crea in nobis, Deus.

Et Spiritum Sanctum tuum ne auferas
a nobis.

DEUS, a quo sancta desideria, recta con-
silia, et justa sunt opera; Da servis tuis
illam quam mundus dare non potest pacem;
ut et corda nostra mandatis tuis dedita,
et hostium sublata formidine tempora sint

tua protectione tranquilla; per merita Jesu Christi Salvatoris nostri.

ILLUMINA, quae sumus, Domine Deus, tenebras nostras; et totius hujus noctis insidias tu a nobis repelle propitius; propter unicum Filium tuum, Salvatorem nostrum, Jesum Christum.

OMNIPOTENS Deus, omnium bonorum dator, qui divina providentia tua varios Ordines in Ecclesia constituisti; Da gratiam tuam, supplices quae sumus, iis omnibus qui ad quodvis in eadem officium sive administrationem sunt vocati; et eos doctrinae tuae veritate ita adimple, et vitae innocencia adorna, ut in conspectu tuo fideliter ministrent, ad magni tui Nominis gloriam, et ad profectum sanctae Ecclesiae tuae; per Jesum Christum, Dominum nostrum.

ACTIONES nostras quae sumus, Domine, aspirando praeveni, et adjuvando prosequere; ut cuncta nostra operatio a te semper incipiat, et per te coepta finiatur; quatenus sanctum Nomen tuum glorificemus, et misericordia tua vitam aeternam consequamur, per Jesum Christum Dominum nostrum.

GRATIA Domini nostri Jesu Christi, et charitas Dei, et communicatio Sancti Spiritus sit cum omnibus nobis in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

CREDO, Domino, sed credam firmius;
spero, Domino, sed sperem securius;
amo, Domino, sed amem ardentius; doleo,
Domino, sed doleam vehementius.

Adoro Te ut primum principium; desidero,
ut finem ultimum; laudo, ut benefac-
torem perpetuum; invoco, ut defensorem
propitium.

Tua me sapientia dirige; iustitia con-
tine; clementia solare; potentia protege.

Offero Tibi, Deus, cognitanda, ut sint
ad Te; dicenda, ut sint de Te; facienda,
ut sint secundum Te; ferenda, ut sint propter
Te.

Volo quidquid vis; volo quia vis; volo
quomodo vis; volo quamdiu vis.

Gloria Patri, qui me creavit;
Gloria Filio, qui me redemit;
Gloria Spiritui sancto, qui me sanctifi-
cavit;
Gloria summae et individuae Trinitati.

BEATI mortui qui in Domino moriuntur.
Dona eis requiem aeternam, et Lux
perpetua luceat eis. Requiescant in pace.

Kalendarium



SECTION XIV

For Sacred Seasons
Advent

Antiphon. The night is far spent, the day is at hand : let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.

V. Come and save us, O Lord God of Hosts.

R. Shew the light of Thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

Chapter. Now it is high time to awake out of sleep ; for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.

Behold, the Lord cometh in the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory, Alleluia.

Blow the trumpet in Zion, for the day of the Lord is nigh at hand ; behold, He cometh to save us, Alleluia.

The Desire of all Nations shall come, and the house of the Lord shall be filled with glory, Alleluia.

Watch, therefore, for ye know not when

the Master of the House cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cock-crowing, or in the morning.

ALMIGHTY God, the coming of whose Only-Begotten Son in time past we believe, and for whose Second Coming in the Last Day we look and watch; Defend us, we beseech Thee, in all our trials and temptations, and keep us free from the defilements of sin. Grant that we may so follow Thy Son Jesus Christ in the humility and purity of His First Coming, that we may without terror await His appearing again in His glorious majesty to judge the world, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, God, for ever and ever.

MOST merciful God, who hast graciously guided and guarded us during the year that is past; Help us, we entreat Thee, to serve Thee henceforth with all our heart and mind and strength; watch over us with Thy divine Providence, that whether we live or die we may evermore be Thine; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

RISE in our hearts, O Sun of Righteousness, and enlighten us with the brightness of Thy coming, that we who rejoice in the word of Thy promise, may not be

confounded at the coming of Thy glory; through the mercy of our God, who is blessed, and doth live, and govern all things. Amen.

Mozarabic.

Christmas Day

Antiphon. And the angel said unto the shepherds, Fear not; for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

V. Glory to God in the highest.

R. And on earth peace, good will towards men. Alleluia.

Chapter. The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us. And we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

Awake, glad heart! get up and sing!

It is the birthday of thy King.

Awake! awake! The sun doth shake

Light from his locks, and, all the way
Breathing perfumes, doth spice the day.

O DAY-SPRING, Splendor of the eternal Light, and Sun of Righteousness! Come and enlighten those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death.

O King of Gentiles, Thou whom they long for, and Corner-stone that makest both one! come and save man whom Thou formest out of the clay. *Sarum.*

GRANT unto us, we pray Thee, O Lord our God, that we who rejoice to keep the feast of the Nativity of Jesus Christ our Lord may, by walking worthily of Him, attain to fellowship with Him, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Leonine.*

The Circumcision of Christ

Antiphon. Thou shalt call His name Jesus. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest.

V. And being found in fashion as a man,
R. He humbled Himself.

Chapter. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name; that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow. His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

THE grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness, and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world.

ALMIGHTY God, who madest Thy blessed Son to be circumcised and obedient to the law for man; Grant us the true circumcision of the Spirit; that, our hearts and all our members being mortified from all worldly and carnal lusts, we may in all things obey Thy blessed will; through the same, Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Epiphany

Antiphon. Arise, shine, for Thy Light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon Thee! Alleluia!

V. The Kings of Tharsis and of the Isles shall bring presents.

R. The Kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts.

Chapter. And when they had opened their treasures, the wise men presented unto Him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

The people that walked in darkness have seen a great Light; they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the Light shined.

OLORD, we beseech Thee, enlighten Thy people, and ever kindle their hearts with the splendour of Thy grace; that the Nativity of the Saviour of the world, once mani-

fested by the service of a star, may ever more and more be revealed to our minds; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Ambrosian.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, the Brightness of faithful souls, who hast consecrated this solemnity by the first-fruits of the chosen Gentiles; fill the world with Thy glory, and shew Thyself by the radiance of Thy light to the nations that are subject unto Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gregorian.

Lent

Antiphon. Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

V. Make me a clean heart, O God.

R. And renew a right spirit within me.

Chapter. Turn ye even unto me, saith the Lord, with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning. Let us return unto the Lord, He will have mercy upon us; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

ALMIGHTY, Everlasting God; we humbly entreat Thy majesty not to rebuke us in Thine anger, but to purify, instruct, and console us with Thy boundless mercy,

considering the weakness of our mortal nature; that, inasmuch as without Thee we are not able to please Thee, we may by Thy grace alone be holy in all our conversation; through Christ our Lord, through whom, with Angels and Archangels, etc.

Gregorian.

WE entreat Thee, O Lord our God, with our whole heart to forgive our sins, and correct our errors; to direct our actions, and inspire us with thoughts well pleasing to Thee; to cleanse our consciences, and sanctify our hearts; subduing the flesh to the spirit, and the spirit to Thyself; so that, triumphing over all vices, it may, with restoring liberty, serve Thee, its Lord and God; who livest and dost reign, etc.

Mozarabic.

LORD, we beseech Thee, let Thy favor be present to Thy people who supplicate thee; that what by Thy inspiration they faithfully ask, by Thy speedy bounty they may obtain; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Leonine.

Good Friday

Antiphon. They
and my feet; they
among them : and
vesture.

V. We adore
and we bless Thee,

R. Because by
precious Blood
deemed the world.

pierced my hands
part my garments
cast lots upon my

Thee, O Christ,

Thy Cross and
Thou hast re-

Chapter. If any
an Advocate with
Christ the Right-
Propitiation for

As Thou didst
the cross, re-
in Thy Kingdom.

Thou who alone
overcome death,

Holy God; Holy
and Immortal;
me.

O Lord God
most mighty, O
merciful Saviour,
the bitter pains of

man sin we have
the Father, Jesus
eous, and He is the
our sins.

pity the robber on
member me, Lord,

by Thy death hast
remember me.
and Mighty; Holy
have mercy upon

most holy, O Lord
holy and most
deliver me not into
eternal death.

Good Friday

LORD Jesus stretch out the Cross, and re-Blood; Forgive me of my thoughts are Pardon I ask, pardon I trust to art pitiful and and forgive me.

Christ, who didst Thine hands on deem us by Thy a sinner, for none hid from Thee. don I hope for, have. Thou who merciful, spare *Ambrosian.*

TEACH us, mer- seech Thee, not without hope for Thee; but grant those who have palm of sorrow and of affliction, may triumphant rest of vision at Thy evermore, who live one God, world

ciful Lord, we be- to sorrow as those them who sleep in that we, with all borne here the the Good Friday come at last to the joy in the beatific Right Hand for- est and reignest without end.

WHEN Thou sharpness of open the Kingdom believers.

hadst overcome the death, Thou didst of Heaven to all

OSAVIOUR of Thy Cross and redeemed us: save h u m b l e beseech

the world, who by precious Blood hast us and help us, we Thee, O Lord.

Easter Day

Antiphon. This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it:

V. In Thy Resurrection, O Christ;
R. Let heaven and earth rejoice! Alleluia!

Chapter. And behold, there was a great earthquake; for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it. And the angel said unto the women, Fear not ye; for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said.

CHRIST is risen from the dead, and become the first-fruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

COME, ye people, the holy, immortal, and undefiled Mystery is to be celebrated; let us approach with faith and fear; with hands cleansed by penitence let us partake of the Gift; for the Lamb of God is set forth as a Sacrifice to the Father for us. Him alone let us adore, Him let us glorify, with the Angels praising Him and saying: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! *Ambrosian.*

O LION of the tribe of Judah, O Root of David, open to us the light of Thy knowledge, that we, who reverently celebrate the festival of Thy Resurrection, may with Thine elect, and with all the hosts of angels, sing praises in Thy Kingdom to Thy glorious Name; through Thy mercy, O our God, who art blessed, and dost live, and govern all things, world without end.

Mozarabic.

O GOD, who makest us glad by the annual solemnity of our Lord's Resurrection, mercifully grant that by the festivals which we keep in time, we may be led onward to eternal joys; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *Gelasian.*

O ALMIGHTY God, hear Thy people, who are this day met to glorify the Resurrection of Thy Son our Lord; and guide them on from this festival to eternal gladness, from the exulting joy of this solemnity to joys that have no end. For this is the day of man's Resurrection, the birthday of eternal life; in which we have been satisfied with Thy mercy in the morning, in which the blessed One who cometh in the Name of the Lord, and who is our God, hath shone upon us. *Gothic.*

O GOD, who by Christ's Resurrection restorest us to life eternal; Raise us up to the Author of our salvation, who is seated at Thy right hand; that He who came to be judged for our sake, may come to judge in our favour, Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord, who with Thee, etc. *Gregorian.*

O GOD, who by Thine Only-begotten Son hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life; Grant us, we beseech Thee, that we who celebrate the solemnities of our Lord's Resurrection, may by the renewing of the Spirit arise from the death of the soul; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Gelasian.*

Litany of the Resurrection

GRACIOUSLY hear us, O Christ;
Graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.

By Thy glorious Resurrection and victory over death,

Good Lord, deliver us.

That we who are baptized into Thy death, may through the gate of death pass to our joyful resurrection;

Grant us, good Lord.

That we may put off the old man, with its deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of our mind;

Grant us, good Lord.

That we may put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness;

Grant us, good Lord.

That like as Thou wast raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life,

Grant us, good Lord.

That we may reckon ourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God, through Thee, our risen Lord,

Grant us, good Lord.

That we may not henceforth live unto ourselves, but unto Thee, who didst die for us, and rise again,

Grant us, good Lord.

That we may walk in love as Thou lovedst us, and gavest Thyself for us, an Offering and a Sacrifice to God,

Grant us, good Lord.

That, being risen with Thee, we may seek those things which are above, where Thou sittest at the Right Hand of God,

Grant us, good Lord.

That, earnestly believing in Thy Resurrection and triumph over death, we may not fear to die when Thou shalt call us,

Grant us, good Lord.

That we, with all Thy faithful departed, may speedily have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul,

Grant us, good Lord.

That we may hear those words of joy: "Come, ye blessed of My Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world",

Grant us, good Lord.

That we may be for ever with Thee where Thou art, and may behold Thy glory which God hath given Thee,

Grant us, good Lord.

We sinners do beseech Thee to hear us, O Christ.

Graciously hear us, O Lord Christ, King of eternal glory.

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead, etc.

The Ascension

Antiphon. He ascended up on high, He led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.

V. O sing praises unto our God.
R. O sing praises unto our King. Alleluia.

Chapter. While they beheld, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight.

He was received up into Heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.

O GOD, who, to show forth the wonders of Thy Majesty, didst after Thy Resurrection from the dead ascend into heaven in the presence of Thine Apostles, grant us the aid of Thy loving kindness; that according to Thy promise Thou mayest ever dwell with us on earth, and we with Thee in heaven; where with the Father, etc.

Gelasian.

O LORD Jesus Christ, who art ascended into Heaven, there to intercede for us, strengthen our hope in Thee, who art ever offering Thyself in Thy risen and glorified body, in the most holy place, Jesus Christ, our Advocate! Quicken our love towards Thee, who didst lead captivity captive and give gifts unto men. Hear us, O Thou who hast triumphed gloriously, only Mediator between God and man! and grant that we may so follow Thee in patient toil and suffering, that when Thou comest again to judge the world we may be counted worthy to sit with Thee in Heavenly places, through Thy merits, our Lord and Saviour, who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest ever, one God, world without end.

Whitsunday

Antiphon. When the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, He shall testify of me.

V. As many as are led by the Spirit of God,

R. They are the Sons of God.

Chapter. There appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the splendor of Thy brightness may shine upon us; that the light of Thy Light may confirm, with the illumination of the Holy Spirit, the hearts of those who have been born again through Thy grace.

Grant, we beseech Thee, that we who celebrate the solemnity of the gift of the Holy Ghost, may be kindled with heavenly desires, and thirst for the fountain of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gregorian.

MAY the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, O Lord, who proceedeth from Thee, illuminate our minds, and, as Thy Son hath promised, lead us into all truth; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gelasian.

Ember Days

O GOD, who hast sent Thy servants to preach Thy word, and to labour for the salvation of others, grant unto them spotless purity of life, and ardent zeal for the salvation of souls, that in all good works and steadfast faith they may preach Thee, and through Thy mercy at length come unto Thee, who art the Author and Giver of all blessedness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

MOST merciful Father, we beseech Thee to send Thy heavenly blessing upon the ministers of Thy Word and Sacraments, that they may be clothed with righteousness, and that Thy Word spoken by their mouths may never be spoken in vain. Grant also to Thy people grace to hear and receive what they shall deliver out of Thy most holy Word, or agreeable to the same, as the means of their salvation; that in all our words and deeds we may together seek Thy glory and the increase of Thy kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Trinity Sunday

Antiphon. Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure they are and were created.

V. Let us bless the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost.

R. Let us praise Him and magnify Him forever. Alleluia.

Chapter. He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and lighting upon Him; and lo, a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

MAY the infinite and ineffable Trinity, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, direct our life in good works, and after our passage through this world vouchsafe to us eternal rest with the righteous. Grant this, O Eternal and Almighty God.

Mozarabic.

BLESSED and glorious Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, thanks be to Thee, very and one Trinity, one and perfect Godhead. Thee, God the Father Unbegotten; Thee, the Only-begotten Son; Thee, the Holy Spirit the Paraclete; the Holy and Undivided Trinity, do we con-

fess and praise with heart and mouth; to Thee be glory forever. Alleluia. *Sarum.*

HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty,
which was, and is, and is to come.

The Transfiguration

Antiphon. The Lord Jesus received from God the Father honor and glory.

V. Out of the cloud a voice came to Him:

R. This is my beloved Son, hear Him.
Alleluia.

Chapter. Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John, and bringeth them up into a high mountain apart, and was transfigured before them; and His face did shine as the sun, and His raiment was white as the light.

O GOD, who allowest us to celebrate the day of Thy Transfiguration with devout praises; Grant us, we beseech Thee, to attain the vision of Thy Divinity, who didst deign to become partaker of our humanity; who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, one God, world without end. *Sarum.*

Of All Saints

PSALM XV. *Domine, quis habitabit?*

LORD, who shall dwell in thy tabernacle: or who shall rest upon thy holy hill?

Even he that leadeth an uncorrupt life: and doeth the thing which is right, and speaketh the truth from his heart.

He that hath used no deceit in his tongue, nor done evil to his neighbor: and hath not slandered his neighbour.

He that setteth not by himself, but is lowly in his own eyes: and maketh much of them that fear the Lord.

He that sweareth unto his neighbour, and disappointeth him not: though it were to his own hindrance.

He that hath not given his money upon usury: nor taken reward against the innocent.

Whoso doeth these things: shall never fall.

Antiphon. These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb; therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His Temple.

V. The souls of the Righteous are in the Hands of God;

R. And there shall no torment touch them.

Of the Blessed Virgin

Antiphon. The Holy Ghost shall come upon Thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow Thee; therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of Thee shall be called the Son of God.

V. Hail, thou that art highly favoured:
R. Blessed art thou among women.

Of an Apostle or Evangelist

Antiphon. Ye are My friends: if ye do whatsoever I command you.

V. Their sound is gone out into all lands:
R. And their words into the ends of the world.

Of St. Michael and All Angels

Antiphon. The Angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear Him; and delivereth them.

V. He maketh His Angels spirits;
R. And His ministers a flame of fire.

O GOD, who of Thy good Providence dost send Thy holy Angels to have a charge over us; grant that we may both be evermore defended by their protection, and also rejoice in their eternal companionship hereafter, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Ambrosian.

O GOD, the Glory of the Saints, and the Rewarder of the Righteous, who art above all, and through all, and in us all; grant us sanctification of heart, fervour of spirit, purity of body; that being mortified from all earthly vices, and undefiled in mind and body, we may ever offer Thee the sacrifice of praise. Amen. *Gothic.*

Intercession

O LORD Jesu Christ, who saidst unto Thy Apostles, Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you; Look not on our sins, but on the Faith of Thy Church; and vouchsafe, according to Thy good pleasure, to grant her peace, to preserve her, to unite her, and to govern her throughout all the world; together with Thy servant, our Bishop, whom we beseech Thee to keep in safety, honour, health, and long life. We beseech Thee, likewise, O Lord, to remember all orthodox Bishops, the Presbyters and Deacons in Christ, our fathers and brethren, who minister in holy things. Remember also all those who in every place call upon Thy Name; all those who have desired us to remember them in our prayers. Remember our President, Governor, and magistrates, all that are in power and authority over us, that, they bearing rule in righteousness, we may lead a peaceable life

in all godliness and honesty. Remember, O Lord, this land wherein we dwell, and all the faithful in it and throughout the world. Succor those who are in any peril. Remember all that suffer by need, sickness, bondage, or wrong; remember them in pity, for preservation, health, and deliverance. Remember, O Lord, those in Thy Holy Church everywhere who bring forth good fruit, who are rich in good works, who forget not the poor, the widows, the orphans, the stranger, and him that hath none to help him. Do Thou, O Lord, remember all those whom we have not remembered. Bring back those who are gone out of the way, and unite them to Thy Holy Apostolic Church. Grant us all Thy mercy and loving-kindness, that with one mouth and one heart we may praise and magnify Thy glorious Name, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, now, henceforth and forever. Amen.

Commemoration of the Departed

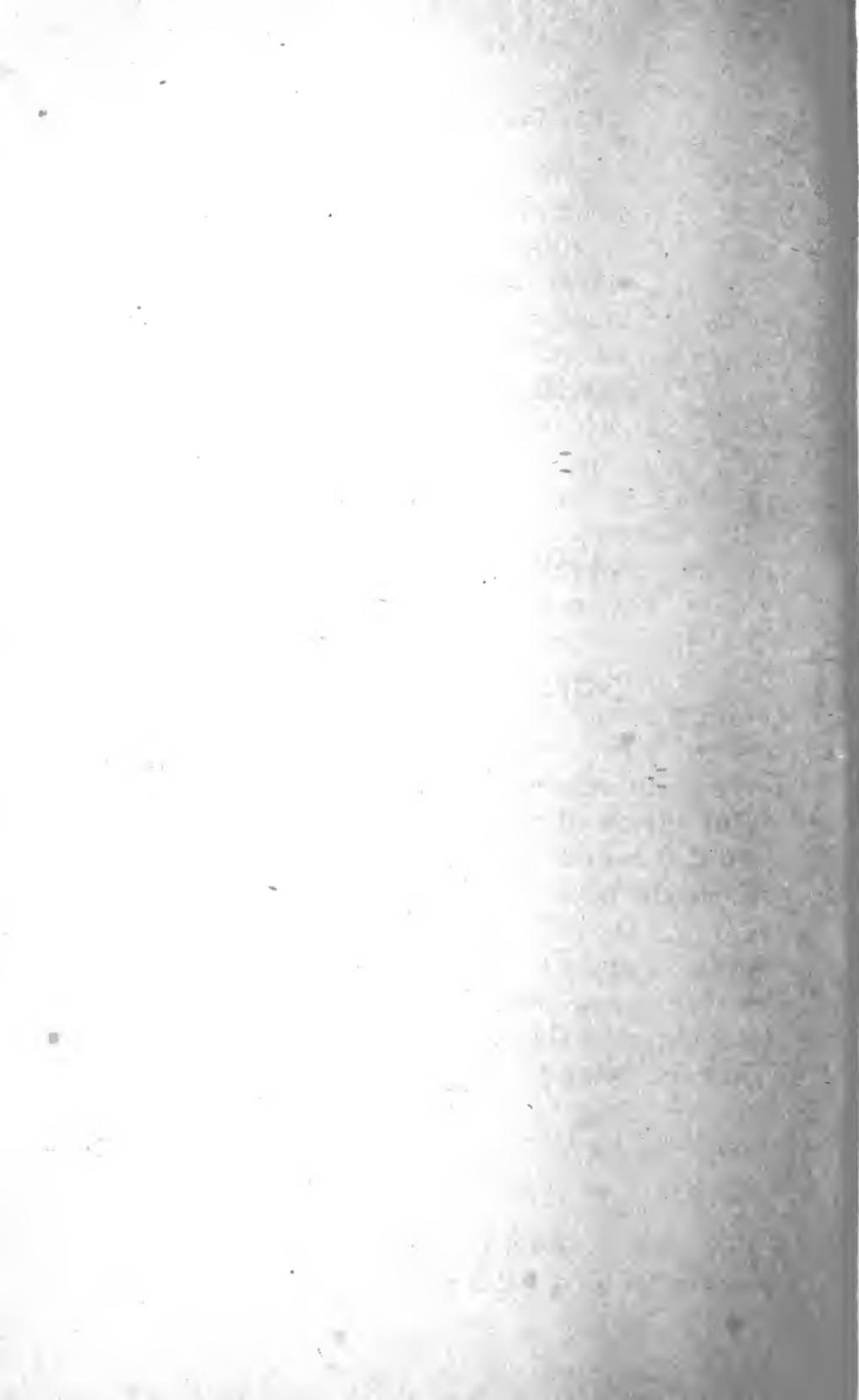
ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we give unto Thee most high praise and hearty thanks for the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all Thy Saints from the beginning of the world: in the glorious and most blessed Virgin Mary, mother of Thy Son Jesus Christ, our Lord and our God; in the holy Patriarchs, Prophets, Apostles, and

Martyrs, and specially in Thy holy servant () whom we to-day keep in memory: whose example, O Lord, and steadfastness in Thy faith, and keeping Thy holy commandments, grant us to follow. We commend unto Thy mercy, O Lord, all other Thy servants who are departed from us, with the sign of faith, and now do rest in the sleep of peace. Grant unto them, we beseech Thee, Thy mercy and everlasting peace. And to us sinners, Thy servants who trust in the multitude of Thy mercies, vouchsafe to grant some part and society with Thy holy Apostles, Martyrs, Confessors, and with all Thy Saints, into whose company do Thou admit us, we beseech Thee, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; that, at the day of the general resurrection, we and all they which be of the mystical body of Thy Son may be all together set on His right hand, and hear His most joyful voice; Come unto Me, O ye that be blessed of My Father, and possess the Kingdom which is prepared for you from the beginning of the world. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

Benediction

THE God of Peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ.

Coena Domini
Sive
Sacra Communio



SECTION XV.

The Holy Communion

INTRODUCTION *

JESUS said unto them, I am the bread of life I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if any man eat of this bread, he shall live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world. . . . Whoso eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He that eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me and I in him.”

St. John vi.

THE Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread; And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat; this is my body, which is broken for you; this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup

* To be read frequently by those “who mind to come to the Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ.”

is the new testament in my blood; this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come." *I Cor. xi, 23.*

THE cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?

I Cor. x, 16.

Question. What are the benefits whereof we are partakers in the Lord's Supper?

Answer. The strengthening and refreshing of our souls by the Body and Blood of Christ, as our bodies are by the Bread and Wine. *Church Catechism.*

FAITH is the means by which the Body of Christ is received and eaten; it is the necessary qualification on our parts, without which that Body is not received; because without faith it is impossible to please God.

O Lord God, hear my prayers. I come to Thee in a steadfast faith; yet for the clearness of my faith, Lord, enlighten it; for the strength of my faith, Lord, increase it. *Laud.*

WITH full assurance let us partake of the bread and wine as being the body and blood of Christ. For in the figure of

bread is given thee the body, and in the figure of wine is given thee the blood, in order that by partaking of the body and the blood thou mayest become of one body and one blood with Him. For it is thus also we become Christ-bearers, having received of His body and blood into our members. Thus, according to blessed Peter, we become partakers of the divine nature."

St. Cyril of Jerusalem (318-386).

THE all-wise God, who knew our weakness, hath so ordained in the mystery of this Holy Sacrament, that it is a mystical Incarnation of Christ into every one who receives it. Whence Gregory Nazianzen defines the Eucharist, a Communion of the Incarnation of God. . . . And as in His conception of the Holy Virgin, He took upon Him the nature of man, that He might save man; so in His Holy Sacrament He takes upon Him the nature of every man in singular, that He might save every man who becomes Him in the Divine Sacraiment of His Body and Blood. His real Incarnation was only in one, but His mystical Incarnation in many; and hence comes this Sacrament to be an instrument whereby Christ is conveyed unto us, His benefits applied, and so our faith confirmed."

Joseph Mede (1586-1638).

THIS Bread bath in it more than the substance which our eyes behold; this Cup, hallowed with solemn benediction, availeth to the endless life and welfare both of soul and body. What these elements are in themselves it skilleth not; it is enough that to me which take them they are the Body and Blood of Christ; His promise in witness hereof sufficeth, His word He knoweth which way to accomplish. Why should any cogitation possess the mind of a faithful communicant but this: O my God, Thou art true: O my soul, thou art happy!"

Richard Hooker.

THE Bread which we break is the partaking of Christ's true Body; and not a sign, figure, or remembrance of it. For the Church hath ever believed a true fruition of the true Body of Christ in that Sacrament."

Lancelot Andrewes.

CHRIST is as really given to all that are truly disposed, as the symbols are; each as they can; Christ as Christ can be given; the Bread and Wine as they can; and to the same real purpose to which they are designed; and Christ does as really nourish and sanctify the soul as the elements do the body."

Jeremy Taylor.

WHEN the Fathers asserted, as they do continually, that what is consecrated and what we receive, are the Body and Blood of Christ, they mean this, not in any physical or carnal way, but spiritually, sacramentally, divinely, mystically, ineffably, through the operation of the Word of Christ, and of God the Holy Ghost."

Edward Bouverie Pusey.

I BELIEVE, O crucified Lord, that the Bread which we break in the Holy Mysteries is the communication of Thy Body, and the cup of blessing which we bless is the communication of Thy Blood."

Bishop Ken.

GO forward therefore with simple and undoubting faith, and with the reverence of a suppliant approach thou this holy sacrament; and whatsoever thou art not able to understand, commit without care to Almighty God.

Thomas à Kempis.

I WILL wash my hands in innocency, O Lord;
And so will I go to Thine altar.
I will take the cup of salvation,
And call upon the Name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows unto the Lord,
In the sight of all His people.

PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION*

IN the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Antiphon. I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me.

PSALM lxxxiv. *Quam dilecta!*

O HOW amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts!

My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord : my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest, where she may lay her young: even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be alway praising thee.

Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee: in whose heart are thy ways.

Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well : and the pools are filled with water.

They will go from strength to strength : and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer : hearken, O God of Jacob.

* For Aids to Self-Examination and selections from the Penitential Psalms, see Section XVI.

Behold, O God our Defender : and look upon the face of thine Anointed.

For one day in thy courts : is better than a thousand.

I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God : than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

For the Lord God is a light and defence : the Lord will give grace and worship, and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.

O Lord God of Hosts : blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

Glory be to the Father.

Antiphon. I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me. Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me : Thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR FATHER.

V. And lead us not into temptation.

R. But deliver us from evil.

V. I said, Lord have mercy upon me.

R. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

V. Turn Thee again, O Lord, at the last.

R. And be gracious unto Thy servant.

V. Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be showed upon us.

R. As we do put our trust in Thee.

V. Let Thy priests be clothed with righteousness.

R. And let Thy saints sing with joyfulness.

V. Cleanse Thou me from my secret faults.

R. And keep Thy servant also from presumptuous sins.

V. O Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

BLESSED Lord, who in this wonderful Sacrament hast left us a memorial of Thy Passion; Grant us, we beseech Thee, so to venerate the sacred Mysteries of Thy Body and Blood, that we may ever feel within ourselves, and manifest in our lives, the fruits of Thy Redemption, who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, may the Comforter who proceedeth from Thee illuminate our minds, and lead us, as Thy Son hath promised, into all truth.

O Lord, we beseech Thee, may the power of the Holy Ghost be with us, and both

mercifully cleanse our hearts, and defend us from all adversities.

Cleanse our consciences, we beseech Thee, O Lord, by Thy visitation: that Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, when He cometh, may find in us a mansion prepared for Himself; through the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

BLESSED Jesus, who art about to come to us Thy unworthy servants in the Blessed Sacrament of Thy Body and Blood, prepare our hearts, we beseech Thee, for Thyself. Grant us that repentance for our past sins, that faith in the Atonement made for them by Thee upon the Cross, that full purpose of amendment of life, that perfect love to Thee and to all men, which shall fit us to receive Thee. Lord, we are not worthy that Thou shouldest come under our roof, much less that we should receive Thee into ourselves; But since Thou didst not disdain to be laid in a manger, so vouchsafe to enter into our souls and bodies, unclean though they be through many sins and defilements.

Lord, come to us that Thou mayest cleanse us.

Lord, come to us that Thou mayest heal us.

Lord, come to us that Thou mayest strengthen us.

And grant that having received Thee, we may never be separated from Thee by our sins, but may continue Thine for ever, till we see Thee face to face in Thy heavenly Kingdom, where, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, Thou livest and reignest, ever, one God, world without end.

GRANT, O Lord, that we may be truly prepared for the offering of this Holy Sacrifice. O Lord, I pray Thee, possess and govern my heart by Thy grace, that I may perform this act piously, religiously, and becomingly, so that my service may be well pleasing to Thee, and profitable to my soul.

OSACRED Feast, wherein Christ is received; His Passion is brought to our remembrance; our souls are fulfilled with grace, and the pledge of eternal glory is given unto us. Alleluia. Amen.

GOD the Father bless me, Jesus Christ defend and keep me, the power of the Holy Ghost enlighten and sanctify me, now and forevermore.

In Diebus PoenitentiaePSALM cxxx. *De Profundis.*

DE profundis clamavi ad te, Domine :
Domine, exaudi vocem meam.

Fiant aures tuæ intendentæ: in vocem
deprecationis meæ.

Si iniquitates observaveris, Domine :
Domine, quis sustinebit ?

Quia apud te propitiatio est : et propter
legem tuam sustinuit te, Domine.

Sustinuit anima mea in verbo ejus :
speravit anima mea in Domino.

A custodia matutina usque ad noctem :
speret Israel in Domino.

Quia apud Dominum misericordia : et
copiosa apud eum redemptio.

Et ipse redimet Israel : ex omnibus
iniquitatibus ejus.

NE reminiscaris, Domine, delicta nostra,
vel parentum nostrorum; neque vindicatam
sumas de peccatis nostris; parce
nobis, Domine, parce populo tuo, quem
redemisti pretiosissimo sanguine tuo, et ne in
aeternum irascaris nobis.

Parce nobis, Domine.

V. Te rogamus audi nos, Domine.

R. Fili Dei, te rogamus, audi nos.

V. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,

R. Dona nobis pacem tuam.
 V. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
 R. Miserere nobis.
 V. Christe, audi nos.
 R. Christe, exaudi nos.
 V. Kyrie eleison.
 R. Christe eleison.
 V. Domine, non secundum peccata nostra facias nobis.
 R. Neque secundum iniquitates nostras retribuas nobis.
 V. Fiat misericordia tua, Domine, super nos,
 R. Quemadmodum speravimus in te.

OMNIPOTENS aeterne Deus, qui nihil odisti eorum quae fecisti, et omnibus poenitentibus peccata dimittis: Crea in nobis cor novum et contritum, ut digne peccata nostra deflentes, et iniquitates nostras cognoscentes, a te Deo omnis misericordiae perfectam peccatorum remissionem consequamur; per Jesum Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

QUIS digne hoc celebrare porterit, nisi Tu, Deus omnipotens, offerentem feceris dignum? Scio, Domine, et vere scio, et id ipsum pietate Tune confiteor, quia non sum dignus accedere ad tantum mysterium propter nimia peccata mea et infinitas negligentias meas. Sed scio, et veraciter ex toto

corde meo credo, et ore confiteor, quia Tu potes me facere dignum, Qui solus potes facere mundum de immundo conceptum semine, et de peccatoribus iustos et sanctos. Per hanc omnipotentiam Tuam Te rogo, Deus meus, ut concedas mihi peccatori hoc sacrificium celebrare cum timore et tremore, cum cordis puritate et lacrymarum fonte, cum laetitia spiritali et coelesti gaudio. Sentiat mens mea dulcedinem beatissimae praesentiae Tuae et excubias sanctorum angelorum Tuorum in circuitu meo.

St. Thomas Aquinas.

OMNIPOTENS sempiterne Deus, ecce accedo ad sacramentum unigeniti Filii Tui Domini nostri Iesu Christi : Accedo tanquam infirmus ad medicum vitae, immundus ad fontem misericordiae, caecus ad lumen claritatis aeternae, pauper et egenus ad Dominum coeli et terrae. Rogo ergo immensae largitatis Tuae abundantiam quantum meam curare digneris infirmitatem, lavare foeditatem, illuminare caecitatem, ditare paupertatem, vestire nuditatem, ut panem angelorum, Regem regum et Dominum dominantium tanta suscipiam reverentia et humilitate, tanta contritione et devotione, tanta puritate et fide, tali proposito et intentione, sicut expedit saluti animae meae. Da mihi quaeso Dominici Corporis et Sanguinis non solum suscipere

sacramentum, sed etiam rem et virtutem sacramenti. O mitissime Deus, da mihi corpus unigeniti Filii Tui Domini nostri Iesu Christi, quod traxit de Virgini Maria, sic suscipere, ut corpori Suo mystico merear incorporari, et inter Eius membra connumerari. O amantissime Pater, concede mihi dilectum Filium Tuum, Quem nunc velatum in via suscipere propono, revelata tandem facie perpetuo contemplari; Qui Tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti Deus, per omnia secula seculorum.

St. Thomas Aquinas.

SUPER hunc famulum tuum, quae sumus, Pater misericors, coelestem tuum effunde benedictionem; et eum Sancto Spiritu tuo ita adorna, ut verbum tuum praedicans, non solum studeat arguere, obsecrare, increpare in omni patientia et doctrina, sed exemplum sit salutare fidelium, in verbo, in conversatione, in charitate, in fide, in castitate, et in puritate; quatenus cursum suum fideliter consummans, accipiat in die novissimo coronam justitiae, a Domino justo Judice repositam, qui cum Patre vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti Deus, per omnia saecula saeculorum. Amen.

PAX Dei, quae excuperat omnem sensum, et benedictio Dei Omnipotentis, Patris, Filii, et Spiritus Sancti, sint super nos, et maneant semper nobiscum.

Post Communionem

OMNIPOTENS, sempiterne Deus, conservator animarum, mundique redemptor; Me famulum Tuum ante maiestatem Tuam prostratum benignissime respice; et hoc sacrificium quod in honorem nominis Tui pro salute fidelium tam vivorum quam mortuorum, et pro peccatis et offensionibus nostris obtuli, piissime respice. Iram Tuam a me amove; gratiam et misericordiam Tuam mihi concede; januam paradisi mihi pande; ab omnibus malis me potenter eripe; et quidquid reatu proprio commisi indulge. Sic in hoc seculo praeceptis Tuis me fac perseverare ut dignus efficiar electorum gregi copulari, Te praestante, Deus meus, cuius nomen benedictum, honor, atque regnum permanet in secula seculorum. Amen.

ET ideo cum Angelis et Archangelis, cumque omni militia coelestis exercitus, Nomen tuum laudamus, et hymnum gloriae tuae canimus.

DEVOTIONS FOR HOLY COMMUNION

LORD, I am not worthy
 that Thou shouldst come under the roof
 of my soul,
 nor hast Thou in me fitting place
 to lay Thy head.
 But, as Thou didst condescend
 to lie in a manger,
 as Thou didst not disdain the thief upon
 the Cross confessing Thee;
 So me too, the wretched,
 and excessive sinner,
 deign to receive to the partaking of the
 immaculate, supernatural, lifegiving,
 and saving mysteries
 of Thy all-holy Body
 and Thy precious Blood.

Bishop Andrewes.

O SEND out Thy light and Thy truth
 that they may lead me, and bring me
 unto Thy holy hill, and to Thy dwelling,
 that I may go unto the altar of God, even
 unto the God of my joy and gladness.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, mercifully to
 enlighten with Thy grace Thy people
 which prayeth, and endow them with the
 abundance of Thy gifts, that, being de-
 fended by Thy protection from all evils,
 they may be prepared both in mind and
 body for the celebration of Thine ineffable
 Mystery; through, etc. *Gallican.*

HOLY Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God, grant me so to receive the Body and Blood of Thy Son Jesus Christ, that I may receive remission of my sins, and be filled with the Holy Spirit; for Thou art God alone, and beside Thee there is none other, whose kingdom abideth forever. Amen.

Gregorian.

TAKE away from us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, all our iniquities, and the spirit of pride and arrogance, which Thou resistest, and fill us with the spirit of fear, and give us a contrite and humbled heart, which Thou dost not despise, that we may be enabled with pure minds to enter into the Holy of Holies; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Mozarabic.

HAVE mercy, O Lord, upon Thy servant . . . for whom I offer this sacrifice of praise to Thy Majesty; that he may be able to lead a good life in this world, and happily to attain eternal blessedness.

Gregorian.

MOST gracious God, incline Thy merciful ears to our prayers, and enlighten our souls with the grace of the Holy Spirit; that we may worthily approach Thy holy Mysteries, and love Thee with an everlasting love, and attain everlasting joys; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

York Missal.

AT THE TIME OF RECEIVING

WE adore Thee, O Christ, and we bless Thee, because by Thy Cross and precious Blood Thou hast redeemed the world.

ORD, make Thyself known to me in the breaking of bread.

Lord, if Thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean;

Lord, speak the word only, and I shall be healed.

Say unto my soul, I am thy salvation;

Say unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee.

SAVIOUR of the world; who by Thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us, save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills,
From whence cometh my help.

My help cometh even from the Lord,
Who hath made heaven and earth.

Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

COME, Holy Ghost, and take of things of Christ and show them unto me.

Grant that I fail not to discern the Lord's

Body; that I receive not the grace of God in vain.

Grant that I may receive not only the Sacrament, but also the virtue of the Sacrament.

Having boldness to enter into the Holiest by the Blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, His flesh.

O TASTE and see how good the Lord is, Alleluia. Bless the Lord in the heavens, Alleluia. Bless Him in the highest, Alleluia. Bless Him, all ye angels of His, Alleluia. Bless Him, all His host, Alleluia.

Armenian.

WORTHY is the Lamb that was slain, to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

O THOU who art the Bread of Life, bring life and health to my soul.

Lord, evermore give us this Bread.

I will receive the cup of Salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord.

Thou hast said that he that eateth Thy Flesh and drinketh Thy Blood hath Eternal Life. Behold the servant of the Lord; be it unto me according to Thy word.

AFTER RECEIVING

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul, and all
that is within me praise His holy Name.

Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget
not all His benefits;

Who forgiveth all thy sin and healeth all
thine infirmities;

Who saveth thy life from destruction and
crowneth thee with mercy and loving kind-
ness.

ACCEPT, most merciful God, through the
merits of Thine only begotten Son,
Jesus Christ, this my duty and service.
Whatsoever has been offered aright, graci-
ously regard; wherein I have been neglig-
ent, mercifully pardon, for Jesus Christ's
sake, our Lord.

GRANT, O Lord, that what I have taken
outwardly with my lips, I may with a
pure heart inwardly receive.

My soul doth magnify the Lord,
And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my
Saviour.

BLESSING, and honour, and glory, and
power, be unto Him that sitteth upon
the throne, and unto the Lamb, for ever and
ever.

WE render thanks and praise to Thee, O Lord, who hast strengthened us with the Communion of the Body and Blood of Thy most dearly beloved Son; May this Communion cleanse us from guilt, and make us partakers of the joy of heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Leonine.

O LAMB of God, that takest away the sins of the world; have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world : have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world : grant us Thy Peace.

THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

Nunc Dimitis

ORD, now lettest thou thy servant de-
part in peace: according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,

Which thou hast prepared before the face
of all people;

A light to lighten the Gentiles: and the
glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

OUR FATHER.

V. And lead us not into temptation;

R. But deliver us from evil.

V. Let us bless the Father, and the Son,
and the Holy Ghost;

R. Let us praise Him and magnify Him
for ever.

V. Enter not into judgment with Thy
servant, O Lord;

R. For in Thy sight shall no man living
be justified.

V. Turn us again, O Lord, God of hosts;

R. Shew the light of Thy countenance,
and we shall be whole.

V. Lord, hear my prayer;

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

WE thank Thee, loving Master, Benefactor of our souls, for having this day admitted us to Thy heavenly and immortal Mysteries. Guide our path aright; establish us in Thy fear; watch over our life; make safe our goings.

St. Chrysostom.

O MERCIFUL Lord, who hast vouchsafed to feed us, Thy unworthy creatures, with that Bread which came down from heaven and giveth life to the soul; So strengthen and sustain us, we beseech Thee, with Thy most gracious gifts, that we may resist all temptations, and walking in the way of Thy commandments may glorify Thy holy Name, through Christ our Lord.

I YIELD Thee thanks, O Lord, Holy Father, Everlasting God, who, not for any merit of mine, but of the condescension of Thy mercy only, hast vouchsafed to feed me a sinner, Thy unworthy servant, with the precious Body and Blood of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. And I humbly entreat Thy boundless clemency, Almighty and Merciful Lord, that this Holy Communion may not bring guilt upon me to condemnation, but may be unto me for pardon and salvation. Let it be unto me an armour of faith, and a shield of good resolution. Let it be unto me a riddance of all vices, an extermination of all evil desires and lusts, and an increase of love and patience, of humility and obedience, and all virtues, especially . . . ; a firm defence against the wiles of all enemies, a quieting of all sinful impulses, fleshly or spiritual, especially . . . ; a firm adherence to Thee, the One True God, and a blessed consummation of my end. And I pray Thee, that Thou wouldst vouchsafe to bring me a sinner to that ineffable feast, where Thou with Thy Son and the Holy Ghost art to Thy Saints true light, full and everlasting joy, and perfect happiness; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ.

I BESEECH Thee, O Lord, that this Holy Communion may be my guide, and my food for the journey unto the haven of eternal salvation.

May it be to me a consolation while I am troubled in thoughts, a source of love in the time of good purposes, patience in tribulation and distress, medicine in sickness.

By these Most Sacred Mysteries, which I have received, grant me right Faith, firm Hope, and perfect Love; strength to renounce the world, purification of desires, inward peace, ardent Love for Thee, a thankful remembrance of Christ's Passion and Death, and grace to keep my life full of virtue.

WHAT shall I render unto Thee, O Lord Jesus, for all that Thou hast done unto me, and this day especially? Of Thy care for me Thou hast given me Thy Body for my Food, and Thy Blood for my Drink, and both for a pledge of future glory. Would that my lips might be opened, and my mouth filled with Thy praise, that I might sing of Thy glory and honour all the day long, and tell of all Thy wondrous works. O my soul, magnify thou the Lord, from whom thou hast received blessings so many and so great; and rejoice, my spirit, in God thy Saviour: for He hath regarded the lowliness of His servant; and He that is

mighty hath done for me great things, and hath filled me when an hungered with good things.

VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS

COME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire;

Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost Thy sevenfold gifts impart:

Thy blessed unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love.

Enable with perpetual light
The dullness of our blinded sight:

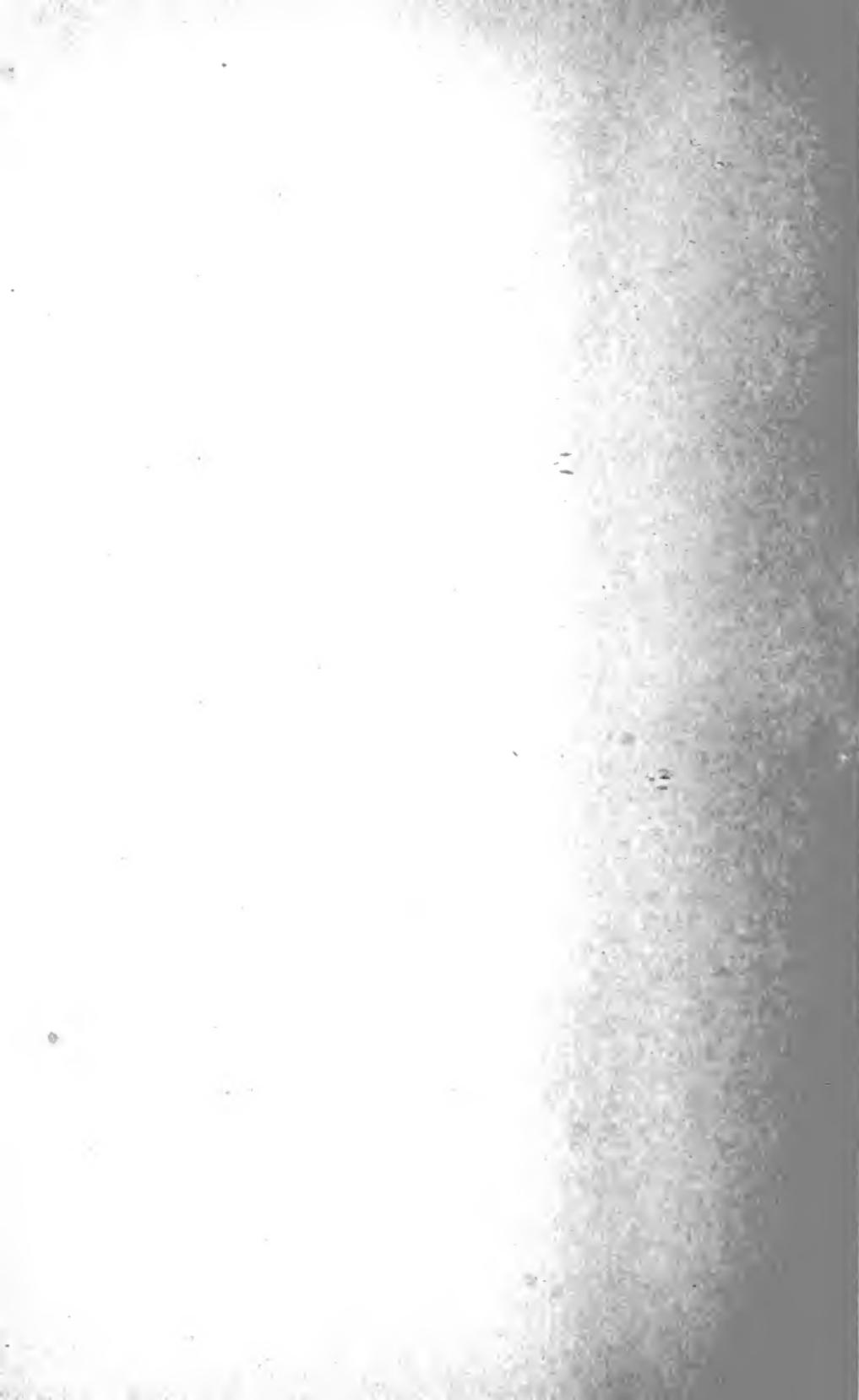
Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of Thy grace:

Keep far our foes, give peace at home;
Where Thou art Guide no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And Thee, of Both, to be but One;

That through the ages all along
This may be our endless song,

Praise to Thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Amen.



Examiner



SECTION XVI

SELF-EXAMINATION

LET a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation (R. V., judgment) to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.—*1 Cor. xi. 29.*

JUDGE therefore yourselves, brethren, that ye be not judged of the Lord.—*Exhortation, Prayer Book.*

What is thy duty towards God?
What is thy duty towards thy neighbor?
What is required of those who come to
the Lord's Supper? *Catechism.*

In the name of the Father, etc.
O Christ hear us,
Lord have mercy upon us,
Christ have mercy upon us.

OUR FATHER.

Blessed art Thou, O Lord, O teach me
Thy statutes;

Make me to understand the way of Thy Commandments,

And so shall I talk of Thy wondrous works.

O ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech Thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; that, through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

THE RULE OF GOD'S COMMANDMENTS

First Commandment

I am the Lord thy God; thou shalt have none other gods but me.

HEAR also what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.

DO I fear God? Do I love Him, and give Him thanks, and strive to serve Him truly? What have I done, what may I do, for the love of God? How inadequately do

I conceive of God, the fundamental Reality, Origin of all Being, Power, and Personality. How little do I comprehend His goodness and glory, His justice and mercy, His wisdom and love. How feebly do I realize my relation to Him, as His child by creation and redemption; how imperfectly do I fulfil my obligations to Him. Am I growing in the practice of "the presence of God"; do I meditate more and more upon the wonder of His works; upon the mysteries of His Providence in the ordering of the world; in the ordering of my own life?

O GOD, Thou art my God." I say this; I truly believe it, but how far does this belief govern "the meditations of my heart" and the conduct of my life?

AND there is the revelation of God, of the love of God, in our Lord Jesus Christ. Does the love of Christ constrain me, or am I "constrained" by love of the world, by love of self, by love of applause; by ambition, anxiety, appetite, greed?

AND God the Holy Ghost is revealed to me. Do I listen reverently to His voice in my conscience, seek His guidance, follow His promptings, honor Him in praise and prayer, recognize His blessed ministry to me personally, in Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion (Ordination)?

O HOLY, blessed, and glorious Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, have mercy upon me a miserable sinner.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Second Commandment

¶ Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image; Thou shalt not bow down to them nor worship them.

I AM the Lord, and my glory will I not give to another.” Our God will not have divided allegiance, half-hearted service. Nothing must be allowed to come between me and my duty to God. “He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me.” And rightly so. I admit, I approve. But have I not my idols in the heart? Lord, help me to search them out, and cast them down. From superstition, heresy, and schism, good Lord deliver me.

AND how about “the gospel of work”? Am I caught in this snare of idolatry? Have I been so “careful about many things” that I have neglected my duty towards God? Have I been “too busy” to pray? Too “tired” or self-indulgent to go to church? Too hurried to say my prayers, or to say grace before meals?

IMUST "bow down" to God, and worthily worship Him. Must I not confess to frequent wandering of thought and spirit, in prayer and sacrament? While in the attitude of worship, have I not sometimes been thinking of other things? Singing a hymn, perhaps, without considering the meaning of the words? Too much trusting to the outward form and sign, with feeble exercise of faith? "Thou that abhorrest idols, dost thou commit sacrilege?" (Romans ii.)

"Little children, keep yourselves from idols."

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Third Commandment

¶ *Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.*

THOUGH of profane swearing I may not accuse myself (?), there are some things related to profanity, or leading to it, of which I may be guilty. Am I given to exclaiming "By this" or "By that"? or to using the word "Lord" lightly, or other words related to sacred things? I do take the name of God in vain when I utter it in prayer as a mere formality, or with famil-

iarity. Am I reverent in church, even when there alone? Do I read and quote and handle the Bible reverently? Do I deplore and discourage profanity and irreverence in others? Do I show respect for sacred things (as the cross, and the altar) and for those who minister in sacred things?

As a Priest.

DO I have in remembrance into how high a dignity I am called? How great a treasure is committed to my charge? Do I consider "the horrible punishment that will ensue", if hurt or hindrance comes to the Church or to any member thereof, by my negligence? (Read "Ordering of Priests".)

DO I walk answerably to my calling, fashioning my life after the Rule and Doctrine of Christ, that I may be a pattern for the people to follow? In my official duties am I becoming familiar and indifferent; in my private devotions am I growing hurried and listless?

HALLOWED be Thy Name, O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, now and forevermore.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Fourth Commandment

¶ Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.

THE Sabbath day" in this connection, shall mean for me "Religious duties, appointments, observances." "Keeping holy" shall mean faithful attention and reverent use.

AM I "in the spirit" on the Lord's Day? (*Rev. i. 10.*) Do I receive (with preparation) the Holy Communion, or at least join in the worship and offering, on every Lord's Day and on the great Festivals, as opportunity is given me? What other Church services and meetings do I attend? Do I order my affairs so that my employees and all related to me may go to church? Have I refrained from noisy and frivolous recreations on the Lord's Day? Have I made it a day of social dissipation? Has my Sunday reading been chosen to edify, or merely to amuse? What Bible reading or other devotional reading have I done?

DO I assist or serve in parish work, organized charities, as far as practicable? Do I contribute my share for the support of the Church and her work, at home and abroad?

“Six days shalt thou labor.” Am I industrious and earnest, or slothful in business?

DO I keep the Ash Wednesday and Good Friday fasts, and practise a “measure of abstinence” on Fridays and other appointed days?

MY private devotions: what account shall I give of them to my conscience, to my God? And what of my self-examinations? Have I made enquiry of my soul, each day, and at times examined my life and conversation by the rule of God’s commandments? And have I followed the Prayer Book Exhortation, wheresoever I have perceived myself to have offended, either by will, word, or deed, to bewail, confess, and amend?

Try me, O God, and seek the ground of my heart:

Prove me, and examine my thoughts.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Fifth Commandment

‘Honour thy father and thy mother.

PIETY, in the old Roman sense of the word: dutifulness, obedience, respect, veneration, loyalty, compassion; what a

group of radiant virtues! I am worse than a heathen if I do not ardently desire them. (I Timothy, v. 4.)

As a Son, a Daughter, a Pupil.

HAVE I honored my Father and Mother (and my Teachers) by cheerful obedience? Have I been kind and respectful to the aged, and to all who are over me; in my manner towards them, in my remarks about them, in my thought of them? Have I submitted patiently to denial and correction? Have I been thoughtful to help my parents (and teachers) to save them trouble, to minister to their comfort and happiness? Have I honored them by speaking and acting the truth? Have I been helpful to my younger companions, always setting them a good example?

As a Parent, a Teacher.

THE honor claimed for me must be deserved by me. Do I treat my children respectfully, and set them an example of piety, patience, and self-control? Do I correct them without harshness and violence? Do I "provoke them to anger" and discourage them (*Col. iii. 21*) by rude rebukes and exasperating restrictions? Have I done my duty to them in the care of their souls as well as their bodies? Have I made, without grudging, all needful sacrifice for their wel-

fare? Have I guarded their reading, conversation, and companionship? Have I shirked my duty of discipline, and injured my children by indulgence?

As a Husband, as a Wife.

HAVE I been faithful to my marriage vows, in spirit as well as in the letter? Have I been considerate and patient; self sacrificing and sympathetic; courteous and forbearing; "in honor preferring" my Wife (Husband); giving no occasion for jealousy or heartache? Have I shown respect and tenderness, and devoted a portion of time to companionship? Have I been wasteful or extravagant?

As an Employer.

AM I paying my employees fair wages, and paying promptly? Am I patient with their faults, appreciative of their efforts to please me? Do I take an interest in their welfare, in their families? Do I try to promote their comfort and guard their health and safety? Do I arrange, as far as possible, for their Sunday rest and Church attendance?

As an Employee.

HAVE I given my employer a "square deal," or have I defrauded him (or her) by careless work, waste of time, or

other neglect? Have I honored him (or her) by respectful manner and good report? Have I earnestly tried to do my duty in that state of life unto which it hath pleased God to call me?

As a Citizen.

HAVE I been law-abiding, public spirited, willing to sacrifice for public good? Have I set a good example to those younger or less fortunate than myself? Have I listed my property and income honestly, for taxation? Have I been kind to my neighbors, and interested in the welfare of the poor and unfortunate?

As a Child of God.

HAVE I honored my Heaveuly Father, and my Spiritual Mother, the Church, by keeping God's Commandments and by observing the rules and appointments of the Church? Have I been ashamed or afraid to confess the faith of Christ crucified and manfully to fight under His banner, as was solemnly declared at my Baptism?

“Who can tell how oft he offendeth?
O cleanse Thou me from my secret
faults.”

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline
our hearts to keep this law.*

Sixth Commandment

¶ *Thou shalt do no murder.*

AS to the shedding of man's blood, I do not plead guilty; but am I innocent, under Christ's larger application of the law? (St. Matthew v. 22.)

DO I hate my enemies; purpose or desire revenge; cherish spiteful feelings; wish for or connive at the injury of any one; purposely withhold the word or deed that might save another? Am I "quick tempered," easily angered, moody, irritable, resentful? Do I strive for perfect self-control, whether in the exercise of authority or under provocation? Am I forbearing towards the weak and erring; merciful to animals; patient in illness, resigned in adversity? Am I just and kind in all my dealings, bearing no malice nor hatred in my heart? Have I refused to forgive, to be reconciled, to make apology or restitution? Have I cherished prejudice or personal dislike? Have I hurt the soul of any one, by word or example, or neglect? Have I failed to show gratitude for favors received? Has any one been made to suffer through fault or neglect of mine? Have I done all I could to defend and rescue those who were in trouble or danger?

“Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.”

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Seventh Commandment

¶ *Thou shalt not commit adultery.*

HEAR also what our Lord Jesus Christ saith, St. Matthew v, 28. In searching out this sin, let me consider what leads up to it; “vain imaginations”, luxurious living, “the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes,” unrestrained curiosity, “inordinate affection.” (Col. iii, 5.) How have I guarded these approaches to the “great offense,” for which the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience. Have I strictly conformed to the rule of temperance, soberness, and chastity? Have I sternly repelled impurity of thought; promptly shown disapproval of lewd songs, stories, and shows; avoided immodesty in conversation, in dancing, in manner, in dress; refrained from periodicals, books, and pictures of sensual suggestions?

“Lord, turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity; and quicken Thou me in Thy way.”

“Blessed are the pure in heart.”

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Eighth Commandment

¶ *Thou shalt not steal.*

IS thy servant a dog that he should do this great thing?" There are many ways of doing this "great thing." Tremble, my soul, when thou art told that a man may even rob God! (Malachi iii, 8.) How is it with my stewardship? Have I rendered unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's and unto God the things that are His? Have I been true and just in all my dealings; withholding nothing that was due to another, and taking no advantage of another's inexperience or ignorance? Have I robbed any one of his good name, taken to myself credit deserved by another? Have I wasted time, my own time, another's time? Have I taken, or attempted to take from another, by any form of gambling or betting? Have I defrauded a person, a corporation, or the government? Have I concealed or consented to theft or fraud committed by others? Have I made gain by false pretense? Have I failed to return what I borrowed, as money, books, even very small trifles? Have I incurred debts without assurance that I could pay them? Have I been wasteful or improvident? Have I kept back from the owner (when known) what I have found? Have I been faithful as

trustee of property, or otherwise? Have I injured the property of another, by neglect, or wilfully? Have I failed in giving, according to my ability, to Church and charity? Have I spent money foolishly, or harmfully? Have I given away what belonged to another, or accepted such gifts from another?

“Keep Thy servant, Lord, from presumptuous sins;

Lest they get the dominion over me.”

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Ninth Commandment

¶ *Thou shalt not bear false witness.*

THE suggestion that I need to question myself as to the sins of lying, slander, perjury, is a shock to me. But have I attained to absolute truthfulness, without concealment or evasion? Have I a habit of exaggeration? Am I given to forming “snap judgments,” too easily criticizing and blaming others? Am I led by prejudice or partisan zeal to condemn without just cause? Am I led by vanity or ambition to represent myself too highly or to misrepresent others? Have I needlessly exposed the faults and weakness of others?

THE implication of the Ninth Commandment: "Thou shalt bear true witness." Have I been silent when I should have spoken? Have I failed in my duty to do unto others as I would have them do unto me?

"Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth, and keep the door of my lips, that I offend not with my tongue."

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Tenth Commandment

¶ *Thou shalt not covet.*

COVENTOUSNESS, which is idolatry." (Col. iii, 5.) A dangerous and detestable sin; the sin of Judas. Have I set my heart on anything that would come between my soul and God; on anything belonging to another: Am I greedy of gain; in haste to be rich? Do I "give place" to envy, self love, self pity, discontent? Do I complain of my "bad luck", of the way the world treats me, of the advantage which others seem to have who are less deserving? Have I tried to appreciate my blessings, to "count up my mercies," to be thankful? Have I strengthened my soul against

the sin of coveting, by earnestly seeking for the increase of faith, hope, and charity? Have I been miserly, hoarding my money, instead of spending it prudently, to provide for my family, and to do good with it?

“To do good, and to distribute, forget not.”

Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech Thee.

By Thy holy Incarnation, by Thy Cross and Passion, good Lord deliver us.

ALMIGHTY, Everlasting God; we humbly entreat Thy loving kindness, that according to the multitude of Thy mercies, Thou wouldest absolve us from all sins, and strengthen us unto all good works, that cleansed by Thy pardon we may be made effectual by Thine aid; through Christ our Lord.

Ambrosian.

If there be any who cannot quiet his own conscience, let him come to some Minister of God's Word and open his grief.

Exhortation: Prayer Book.



Confessiones



SECTION XVII

PENITENCE

IN the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

I confess to God the Father Almighty, to His Only-Begotten Son Jesus Christ, and to God the Holy Ghost, before the whole Company of Heaven, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, by my fault, by my own fault, by my most grievous fault (especially).

For these and all my other sins I do heartily repent, firmly purpose amendment, and humbly ask pardon of God. And I pray God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost to have mercy upon me, and forgive me my sins. Amen.

If there be any who cannot quiet his own conscience herein, but requireth further comfort or counsel, let him come to some Minister of God's Word and open his grief.—Exhortation, Book of Common Prayer.

O MY God, I believe in Thee, I hope in Thee, I love Thee, and I grieve that I have so often wounded Thee by my sins.

O REMEMBER not the sins and offences of my youth, but according to Thy mercy think Thou upon me, O Lord, for Thy goodness.

SET not, O Lord, mine iniquities before Thee,

Nor my secret sins in the light of Thy countenance.

My sins have taken such hold upon me That I am not able to look up;

Yea, they are more in number than the hairs of my head,

And my heart hath failed me.

O God, make speed to save me,

O Lord, make haste to help me.

LORD, break not the bruised reed;

Quench not the smoking flax;

Let not the water flood overflow me,

Neither let the deep swallow me up.

Lord, Thou knowest all my desire,

And my groaning is not hid from Thee.

O LORD, as Thou art faithful, suffer me not, I beseech Thee, to be tempted above that I am able; but with the temptation make also a way to escape, that I may be able to bear it.

DEEP calleth unto deep. The deep of misery calleth unto the deep of mercy. The deep of transgression calleth unto the deep of grace. Greater is the deep of mercy than the deep of misery. Therefore let deep swallow deep. Let the deep of mercy swallow up the deep of misery.

Have mercy upon me, O God, according to Thy great mercy, not according to man's mercy, which is small; but according to Thine, which is great, which is immeasurable, which is incomprehensible, which exceedeth the measure of all transgressions; according to that Thy great mercy, by which Thou so lovedst the world, that Thou gavest Thine only-begotten Son.

Have mercy upon me, therefore, O God, according to this Thy mercy. By which Thy Son gave Himself for us. By which, through the Same, Thou hast taken away the sins of the world. By which, through His cross, Thou hast illumined all men. By which, through the Same, Thou hast renewed the things which are in heaven, and the things which are in earth. Wash me, O Lord, in His blood. Enlighten me in His humility. Renew me in His resurrection.

Girolamo Saronarola.

PENITENTIAL PSALMS

Selections from the seven Penitential Psalms: vi, xxxii, xxxviii, li, cii, cxxx, cxlii.

PSALM vi. *Domine, ne in furore.*

O LORD, rebuke me not in thine indignation : neither chasten me in thy displeasure.

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am weak : O Lord, heal me, for my bones are vexed.

My soul also is sore troubled : but, Lord, how long wilt thou punish me?

Turn thee, O Lord, and deliver my soul : O save me, for thy mercy's sake.

Away from me, all ye that work vanity : for the Lord hath heard the voice of my weeping.

The Lord hath heard my petition : the Lord will receive my prayer.

PSALM xxxii. *Beati quorum.*

BLESSED is he whose unrighteousness is forgiven : and whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth no sin : and in whose spirit there is no guile.

For whilst I held my tongue : my bones consumed away through my daily complaining.

For thy hand is heavy upon me day and

night : and my moisture is like the drought in summer.

I will acknowledge my sin unto thee : and mine unrighteousness have I not hid.

I said, I will confess my sins unto the Lord : and so thou forgavest the wickedness of my sin.

For this shall every one that is godly make his prayer unto thee, in a time when thou mayest be found : but in the great water-floods they shall not come nigh him.

Thou art a place to hide me in ; thou shalt preserve me from trouble : thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.

Great plagues remain for the ungodly : but whoso putteth his trust in the Lord, mercy embraceth him on every side.

Be glad, O ye righteous, and rejoice in the Lord : and be joyful, all ye that are true of heart.

PSALM XXXVIII. *Domine, ne in furore.*

PUT me not to rebuke, O Lord, in thine anger : neither chasten me in thy heavy displeasure :

For thine arrows stick fast in me : and thy hand presseth me sore.

For my wickednesses are gone over my head : and are like a sore burden, too heavy for me to bear.

Lord, thou knowest all my desire : and my groaning is not hid from thee.

My heart panteth, my strength hath failed me : and the light of mine eyes is gone from me.

And I truly am set in the plague : and my heaviness is ever in my sight.

For I will confess my wickedness : and be sorry for my sin.

Forsake me not, O Lord my God : be not thou far from me.

Haste thee to help me : O Lord God of my salvation.

PSALM li. *Miserere mei, Deus.*

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness : according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offences.

Wash me throughly from my wickedness : and cleanse me from my sin.

For I acknowledge my faults : and my sin is ever before me.

Against thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight : that thou mightest be justified in thy saying, and clear when thou art judged.

Behold, I was shapen in wickedness : and in sin hath my mother conceived me.

But lo, thou requirest truth in the inward parts : and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.

Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean : thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness : that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

Turn thy face from my sins : and put out all my misdeeds.

Make me a clean heart, O God : and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from thy presence : and take not thy holy Spirit from me.

O give me the comfort of thy help again : and establish me with thy free Spirit.

Then shall I teach thy ways unto the wicked : and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou that art the God of my health : and my tongue shall sing of thy righteousness.

Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord : and my mouth shall show thy praise.

For thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it thee : but thou delightest not in burnt-offerings.

The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit : a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt thou not despise.

O be favourable and gracious unto Sion : build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

PSALM cii. *Domine, exaudi.*

HEAR my prayer, O Lord : and let my crying come unto thee.

Hide not thy face from me in the time of my trouble : incline thine ear unto me when I call ; O hear me, and that right soon.

For my days are consumed away like smoke : and my bones are burnt up as it were a firebrand.

My heart is smitten down, and withered like grass : so that I forget to eat my bread.

For the voice of my groaning : my bones will scarce cleave to my flesh.

I am become like a pelican in the wilderness : and like an owl that is in the desert.

I have watched, and am even as it were a sparrow : that sitteth alone upon the housetop.

For I have eaten ashes as it were bread : and mingled my drink with weeping ;

And that, because of thine indignation and wrath : for thou hast taken me up, and cast me down.

My days are gone like a shadow : and I am withered like grass.

But thou, O Lord, shalt endure for ever : and thy remembrance throughout all generations.

Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Sion : for it is time that thou have mercy upon her, yea, the time is come.

PSALM cxxx. *De profundis.*

OUT of the deep have I called unto thee,
O Lord : Lord, hear my voice.

O let thine ears consider well : the voice
of my complaint.

If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark
what is done amiss : O Lord, who may
abide it ?

For there is mercy with thee : therefore
shalt thou be feared.

I look for the Lord ; my soul doth wait
for him : in his word is my trust.

My soul fleeth unto the Lord : before the
morning watch, I say, before the morning
watch.

O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the
Lord there is mercy : and with him is plen-
teous redemption.

And he shall redeem Israel : from all his
sins.

PSALM cxlii. *Domine, exaudi.*

HEAR my prayer, O Lord, and consider
my desire : hearken unto me for thy
truth and righteousness' sake.

And enter not into judgment with thy
servant : for in thy sight shall no man liv-
ing be justified.

For the enemy hath persecuted my soul :
he hath smitten my life down to the ground :
he hath laid me in the darkness, as the men
that have been long dead.

Therefore is my spirit vexed within me: and my heart within me is desolate.

Yet do I remember the time past; I muse upon all thy works : yea, I exercise myself in the works of thy hands.

I stretch forth my hands unto thee : my soul gaspeth unto thee as a thirsty land.

Hear me, O Lord, and that soon, for my spirit waxeth faint : hide not thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.

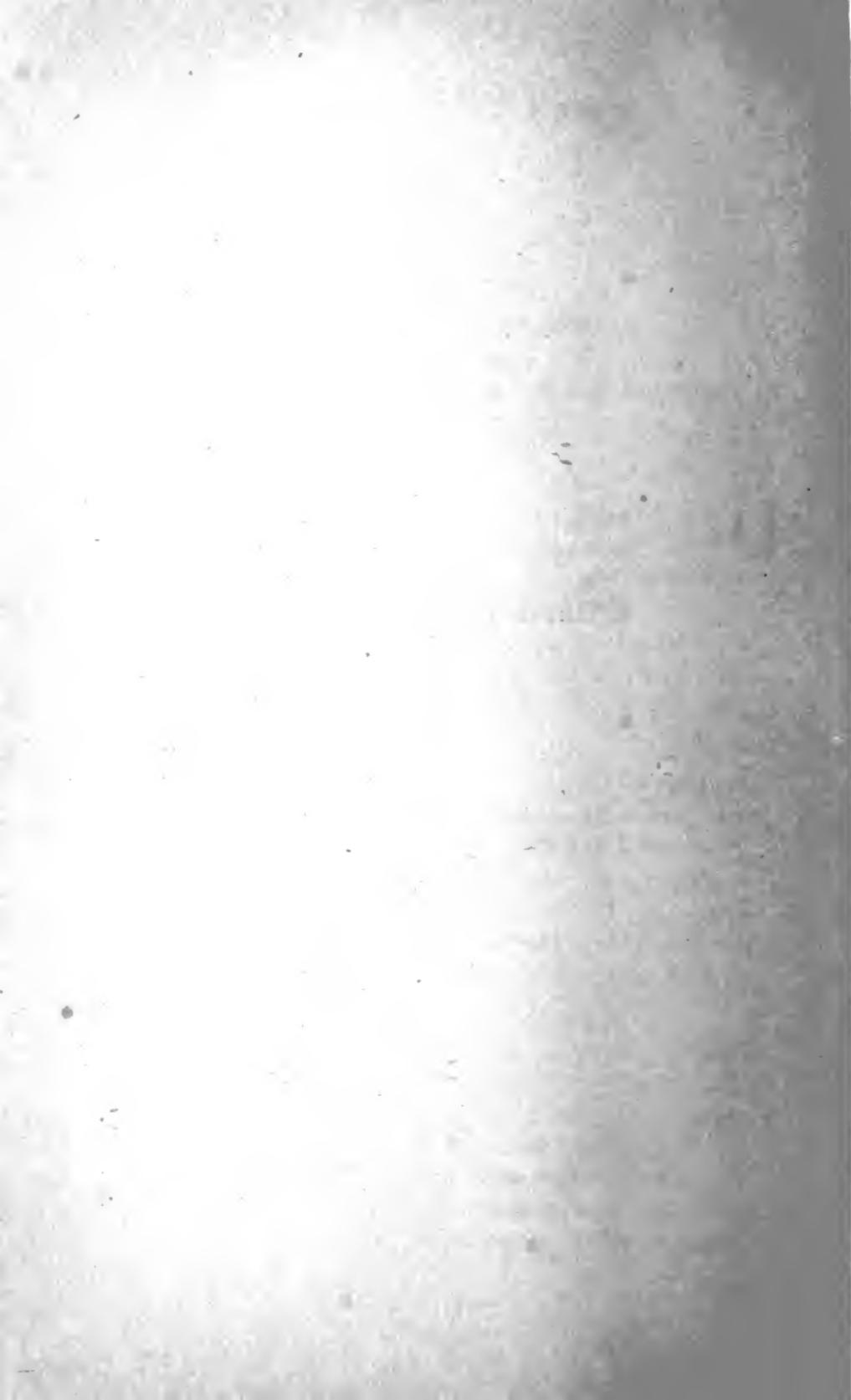
O let me hear thy loving-kindness betimes in the morning, for in thee is my trust : show thou me the way that I should walk in, for I lift up my soul unto thee.

Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies: for I flee unto thee to hide me.

Teach me to do the thing that pleaseth thee; for thou art my God : let thy loving Spirit lead me forth into the land of righteousness.

Quicken me, O Lord, for thy Name's sake : and for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.

Sacra Carmina



SECTION XVIII

HYMNS AND SPIRITUAL SONGS

SUNDAY

O DAY most calm, most bright,
The fruit of this, the next world's bud,
The indorsement of supreme delight,
Writ by a Friend, and with His blood;
The couch of Time, Care's balm and bay;
The week were dark but for thy light;
Thy torch doth show the way.

Sundays the pillars are,
On which Heaven's Palace archéd lies:
The other days fill up the spare
And hollow room with vanities:
They are the fruitful beds and borders
In God's rich garden: that is bare
Which parts their ranks and orders.

The Sundays of man's life,
Threaded together on Time's string,
Make bracelets to adorn the Wife
Of the eternal glorious King:
On Sunday, Heaven's gate stands ope:
Blessings are plentiful and rife,
More plentiful than hope.

Thou art a day of mirth;
 And where the week-days trail on ground,
 Thy flight is higher, as thy birth:
 O let me take thee at the bound,
 Leaping with thee from seven to seven,
 Till that we both, being toss'd from earth,
 Fly hand in hand to heaven!

George Herbert.

HIS OWN BLEST DAY

BEHOLD we come, dear Lord, to Thee,
 And bow before Thy throne;
 We come to offer on our knee
 Our vows to Thee alone.

Whate'er we have, whate'er we are,
 Thy bounty freely gave;
 Thou dost us here in mercy spare,
 And wilt hereafter save.

Come then, my soul, bring all thy powers,
 And grieve thou hast no more,
 Bring every day thy choicest hours,
 And thy great God adore.

But, above all, prepare thine heart
 On this, His own blest day,
 In its sweet task to bear thy part,
 And sing, and love, and pray.

John Austin.

MORNING HYMN

WHAT'S this Morn's bright eye to me,
 If I see not Thine and Thee,
 Fairer Jesu; in whose Face
 All my Heaven is spread! Alas,

Still I grovel in dead night,
 Whilst I want Thy living light;
 Dreaming with wide open eyes
 Fond fantastic vanities.
 Shine, my only Day-Star, shine:
 So mine eyes shall wake by Thine;
 So the dreams I grope in now
 To clear visions all shall grow;
 So my day shall measured be
 By Thy grace's clarity;
 So shall I discern the path
 Thy sweet law prescribéd hath;
 For Thy ways cannot be shown
 By any light but by Thine own.

Joseph Beaumont.

SAVIOUR, BE MY LIGHT

ROUND me falls the night;
 Saviour, be my Light:
 Through the hours in darkness shrouded
 Let me see thy face unclouded;
 Let thy glory shine
 In this heart of mine.
 Earthly work is done,
 Earthly sounds are none;
 Rest in sleep and silence seeking,
 Let me hear thee softly speaking;
 In my spirit's ear
 Whisper, "I am near."
 Blessed, heavenly Light,
 Shining through earth's night;
 Voice, that oft of love hast told me;
 Arms, so strong to clasp and hold me;
 Thou thy watch wilt keep,
 Saviour, o'er my sleep. *W. Romaine.*

GOOD NIGHT

CLOSE now thine eyes, and rest secure;
 Thy soul is safe enough; thy body sure:
 He that loves thee, He that keeps
 And guards thee, never slumbers, never sleeps.
 The smiling Conscience in a sleeping breast
 Has only peace, has only rest:
 The music and the mirth of kings
 Are all but very discords, when she sings:
 Then close thine eyes and rest secure;
 No sleep so sweet as thine, no rest so sure.
Francis Quarles.

ALL'S WELL (A Pillow Prayer)

THE day is ended. Ere I sink to sleep,
 My weary spirit seeks repose in Thine.
 Father! forgive my trespasses, and keep
 This little life of mine.
 With loving-kindness curtain Thou my bed
 And cool in rest my burning pilgrim-feet:
 Thy pardon be the pillow for my head;
 So shall my sleep be sweet.
 At peace with all the world, dear Lord, and
 Thee,
 No fear my soul's unwavering faith can
 shake;
 All's well, whichever side the grave for me
 The morning light may break.

Harriet McEwen Kimball.

“O VANISHED DAY!”

THE night is come, O vanished day!
 What record hast thou borne away?
 The early dawn was fair and bright,
 With wishes pure, and purpose right.

What of the hours? Have Faith and Love
Been diligent themselves to prove
My guardian angels, covering
Both speech and act with shining wing?

Has Truth been near me with her brow
As sunlight on the driven snow?
And Joy and Peace—have these stayed by,
With an unwearied constancy?

What graces have I entertained?
What sinful inclinations chained?
Have heart and hands been freely given
In holy charities, to Heaven?

Was every passing moment fraught
With good, in word, or deed, or thought?
The night is come, O vanished day!
What record hast thou borne away?

F. Burge Griswold.

CARMINA IN NOCTE

WITH sorrow weeping, my lone watch
keeping
While all are sleeping,—
The stars my light,—
Though fond hopes perish, His love I cherish.
Who giveth songs in the silent night.

I muse and ponder, my thoughts still wander
And seek Him yonder
In glory bright,
Forever living, my sin forgiving,
Who giveth songs in the silent night.

Then upward soaring, my love adoring,
 Its song is pouring,
 With sweet delight,
 Where saints are praising His love amazing,
 Who giveth songs in the silent night.

With accents tender, their praise they render
 In white-robed splendor
 On Sion's height,
 To One victorious, forever glorious,
 Who giveth songs in the silent night.

Break, Day of glory, and tell the story
 Of ages hoary,
 And Time's long flight;
 Though earth should perish, His love I cherish,
 Who giveth songs in the silent night.

John Anketell.

THE ANNUNCIATION

AVE MARIA! blessed Maid,
 Lily of Eden's fragrant shade!
 Who can express the love
 That nurtured thee, so pure and sweet,
 Making thy heart a shelter meet
 For Jesus' holy Dove!

Ave Maria! Mother blest,
 To whom, caressing and caressed,
 Clings the eternal Child;
 Favoured beyond archangels' dream,
 When first on thee with tenderest gleam
 Thy new-born Saviour smiled.

Thou wept'st, meek Maiden, Mother mild,
 Thou wept'st upon thy sinless Child,
 Thy very heart was riven:
 And yet, what mourning matron here
 Would deem thy sorrows bought too dear
 By all on this side heaven!

A Son that never did amiss,
 That never shamed his Mother's kiss,
 Nor crossed her fondest prayer:
 E'en from the Tree he deign'd to bow
 For her his agonizèd brow,
 Her, his sole earthly care.

Ave Maria! thou whose name
 All but adoring love may claim,
 Yet may we reach thy shrine;
 For he, thy Son and Saviour, vows
 To crown all lowly lofty brows
 With love and joy like thine.

John Keble.

AT BETHLEHEM

COME, we shepherds, whose blest sight
 Hath met Love's noon in Nature's night;
 Come, lift we up our loftier song,
 And wake the Sun that lies too long.

Gloomy night embraced the place
 Where the noble Infant lay:
 The Babe look'd up, and show'd His face;
 In spite of darkness, it was day:—
 It was Thy day, Sweet; and did rise
 Not from the East, but from Thine eyes.

We saw Thee in Thy balmy nest,
 Young dawn of our eternal Day;
 We saw Thine eyes break from their East,
 And chase the trembling shades away:
 We saw Thee (and we blest the sight),
 We saw Thee by Thine own sweet light.

Welcome, all wonders in one sight!

Eternity shut in a span!

Summer in Winter! Day in Night!

Heaven in Earth! and God in man!

Great Little One, Whose all-embracing birth,
 Lifts Earth to Heaven, stoops Heaven to Earth.

Richard Crashaw.

THIS JOYFULLE NEWES

ON March ye five and twentieth daye,
Ave Maria did Gabriel saye:
 And Marye answered modestlie,
Ecce ancilla Domini.

Ye same daie in December keene,
 Her Son was born in stable mean.
 Heaven was gladde and earth was blest,
Et Verbum Caro factum est.

Yet twelve daies further from afar
 Three kinges were led by Jesu's Star.
 "Our Kinge and God," they cried, "is This,"
Et habitavit in nobis.

So Christen menne each rolling yeare
 This joyfullle newes unwearied heare:
 Each yeare to faithfullle hartes ye Lorde
 Is truly promis'd, born, ador'd.

THE NATIVITY

IN humble guise, an Infant fair
 Thou cam'st, our human form to wear,
 O Son of God Most High!
 In darkest night Thy beaming Star
 Shed o'er the nations near and far
 The light of heaven brought nigh.

As in Thy Blessed Mother's care
 Thou gently sleepest, earth's keen air
 Trembles with angel songs.
 "Peace on the earth! To men good will!
 Glory to God!" and "Glory!" still
 The heavenly choir prolongs.

In mystic vision, round Thy stall
 Behold great kings and prophets, all
 Of Israel's sacred line;
 While seers of Gentile race proclaim
 The world's desire in Thy sweet name,
 And hail Thee Son Divine.

Bishop Frederick W. Taylor.

PASTORAL

OSHEPHERDS, why do you hasten down
 From your herded sheep
 On the rocky steep?
 What can there be
 Worth running to see
 In a roadside tavern in Bethlehem town?
 Why should you worship the child that is there
 In poverty born,
 In raiment forlorn?
 Why on the floor
 Kneel down and adore?
 Leave to his mother the praise and the prayer.

O Magi, why in the winter cold,
 With your camel train
 O'er the desert plain,
 Keeping your eyes
 Fixed on the skies,
 Do you ride with your burden of spices and
 gold?

O Herod, why do you pale with fear
 At the tale they bring
 Of a new-born king?

Why bring new shame
 On your hated name?

Can you slay the Lord God with your sword
 and your spear?

O men, there is only one reply,
 For that manger-throne
 Is the corner-stone
 Of an empire vast
 That shall grow and last

When the sun and stars have burned out in the
 sky.

William Osmond Cone.

THE EPIPHANY

THE Christmas carols die away.—
 The strains of holy mirth
 With which that blessed natal day
 Is hymned by heaven and earth;
 The Church in triumph now doth sing
 That Bethlehem's babe is Christ the King;
 And, while the Magi bend the knee,
 She hails His glad EPIPHANY!

Once over trackless realms of night
The voice of God was heard—
The voice that said, “Let there be light!”
And light sprang at the word.
The morning stars then sang for joy;
A nobler theme is our employ
When, Light of lights, we bow to Thee,
Hailing Thy blest EPIPHANY!

Streaming with dazzling beams from heaven,
Shineth the light of day,
White with prismatic colors seven
Mingling in one pure ray:
Thus with the “seven-fold gifts” divine
The Sun of Righteousness doth shine;
And as His glorious beams we see
We hail His bright EPIPHANY!

And, kneeling at His feet, implore
Our path may be the way
That shineth ever more and more
Unto the perfect day;
Till in the heavenly city bright,
That needs of sun nor moon the light,
We, in His likeness clothed, may be
Blest in that great EPIPHANY!

Nancy Meneely Hitchcock.

EASTER MORNING

(A Processional)

OH, the golden, glowing morning,
All the waiting earth adorning
For this Easter Day!
To the King in all His splendor,
Lord of life and death, we render
Highest lauds this day.

Let the banners float before us,
While we raise th' exulting chorus,
Christ is risen! He is risen!
This is Easter Day!

Hark! the highest heavens ringing,
Hark! the quivering angels singing
This is Easter Day!
No more grieving! nor more sighing!
No more weeping! no more dying!
Christ is King this day!
With the blessed ones before us,
We will swell the heavenly chorus.

Shout aloud the wondrous story,
For the King in all His glory
Draweth nigh this day!
Vernal benediction giving,
Christ the Life, the Ever-living!
On this Easter Day!
Let the banners float before us,
Send along the angel chorus.

On the festal Altar glowing
Lo! the Paschal Emblems, showing
Forth this Easter Day!
Come with garlands, come with treasure,
Come with anthems' raptest measure
For this Easter Day!
How the bells are chiming o'er us
While we join the heavenly chorus!

Oh! that longed-for day of union,
When Thine own, in Thy communion,
Lord of Easter Day,

Into life eternal waking,
 Celebrate, Thy love partaking,
 Endless Easter Day!
 For the joy that waits before us,
 We will swell the angel chorus:
 Christ is risen! He is risen!
 This is Easter Day!

TOWARD EMMAUS

A JOURNEYING to Emmaus
 The grandest Man of men with us—
 The Christ of God was then with us,
 As we went down to Emmaus.
 How burned our hearts upon the way
 At every word we heard Him say!
 We never may forget the day
 We journeyed down to Emmaus!"

Oh! blest disciples—chosen two—
 How gladly had we walked with you
 And talked of Him, who talked with you
 As you went down to Emmaus!
 Have touched the hand and found it warm
 That raised the dead, and stilled the storm;
 Have worshipped God in human form
 As He walked down to Emmaus!

But Jesus walks and talks with men
 As perfectly to-day as then,
 And hearts burn now as yours burned when
 You walked with Christ to Emmaus!
 In starless night or sunless day,
 Whoever walks life's weary way,
 Forgetting not to watch and pray,
 Is journeying to Emmaus.

Simeon Tucker Clark.

THE MAJESTY OF GOD

HOW shall I sing that Majesty
 Which Angels do admire?
 Let dust in dust and silence lie;
 Sing, sing, ye heavenly quire!
 Thousands of thousands stand around
 Thy throne, O God most high;
 Ten thousand times ten thousand sound
 Thy praise; but who am I?
 Thy brightness unto them appears,
 Whilst I Thy footsteps trace;
 A sound of God comes to my ears;
 But they behold Thy face.
 They sing because Thou art their sun:
 Lord, send a beam on me;
 For where heaven is but once begun,
 There hallelujahs be.
 How great a being, Lord, is Thine,
 Which doth all beings keep!
 Thy knowledge is the only line
 To sound so vast a deep.
 Thou art a sea without a shore,
 A sun without a sphere;
 Thy time is now and evermore,
 Thy place is everywhere.
 Who would not fear Thy searching eye,
 Witness to all that's true!
 Dark hell, and deep hypocrisy,
 Lie plain before its view.
 Motions and thoughts before they grow,
 Thy knowledge doth espy;
 What unborn ages are to do,
 Is done before Thine eye.

John Mason.

OUR HEAVENLY FATHER

MY God! how wonderful Thou art!
 Thy Majesty, how bright!
 How beautiful Thy Mercy-seat
 In depths of burning light!

How beautiful, how beautiful
 The sight of Thee must be,
 Thine endless wisdom, boundless power,
 And awful purity!

Oh how I fear Thee, Living God!
 With deepest, tenderest fears,
 And worship Thee with trembling hope
 And penitential tears.

Yet I may love Thee, too, O Lord!
 Almighty as Thou art,
 For Thou hast stooped to ask of me
 The love of my poor heart.

Oh then this worse than worthless heart
 In pity deign to take,
 And make it love Thee for Thyself
 And for Thy glory's sake.

Only to sit and think of God,
 Oh what a joy it is!
 To think the thought, to breathe the Name,
 Earth has no higher bliss!

Father of Jesus, love's Reward!
 What rapture will it be,
 Prostrate before Thy Throne to lie,
 And gaze and gaze on Thee!

Frederick William Faber.

THE GLORY OF GOD

I PRAISED the Earth, in beauty seen
 With garlands gay of various green;
 I praised the Sea, whose ample field
 Shone glorious as a silver shield;
 And Earth and Ocean seem'd to say
 "Our beauties are but for a day!"

I praised the Sun, whose chariot roll'd
 On wheels of amber and of gold;
 I praised the Moon, whose softer eye
 Gleam'd sweetly through the summer sky:—
 And Moon and Sun in answer said,
 "Our days of light are numberèd!"

O God! O Good beyond compare!
 If thus Thy meaner works are fair;
 If thus Thy bounties gild the span
 Of ruin'd earth and sinful man;
 How glorious must the mansion be
 Where Thy redeem'd shall dwell with Thee!

Reginald Heber.

A THANKSGIVING

I AM so blest—I am so blest
 By Thee, My Friend, my King;
 My eyes grow dim with thankful tears
 That gather as I sing.

No day but shines Thy sun, within
 A sky of cloudless blue;
 No path but flowers spring up to greet
 Me with their shy—"For you!"

No eve but brings its soothing peace,
 Though shadows lengthen fast;
 No night but whisper stars to me,
 "There shall be rest at last!"

Therefore, dear Friend, once crowned with
 thorns,
 Now crowned with power, my King!
 Thou knowest my thanks are true, although
 Tears gather as I sing.

L. P. S.

"HE LEADETH ME"

IN pastures green? Not always; sometimes
 He
 Who knoweth best in kindness leadeth me
 In weary ways, where heavy shadows be,
 Out of the sunshine, warm and soft and bright,
 Out of the sunshine into darkest night.
 I oft should faint with sorrow and affright.

Only for this—I know He holds my hand;
 So whether in a green or desert land
 I trust, although I may not understand.

And by still waters? No, not always so;
 Ofttimes the raging tempests round me blow,
 And o'er my soul the waves and billows go.

But when the storm beats loudest, and I cry
 Aloud for help, the Master standeth by
 And whispers to my soul, "Lo! it is I."

Above the tempest wild I hear Him say,
 "Beyond this darkness lies the perfect day;
 In every path of thine I lead the way."

So whether on the hill-top high and fair
I dwell, or in the sunless valley where
The shadows lie—what matters? He is there.

And more than this; where'er the pathway lead,
He gives to me no helpless, broken reed,
But His own staff sufficient for my need.

So where He leadeth I can safely go;
And in the blest hereafter I shall know
Why, in His wisdom, He hath led me so.

M. E. Palmer.

A PRAYER

OUT of the passion and pain,
Out of the turmoil and strife,
The toiling for things that are vain,
The stress and the struggle of life,
Lift us, O Lord!

Out of the pressure of care
That weights down our souls to the dust,—
The clinging to things that are fair,
Yet food for the moth and the rust.
Lift us, O Lord!

Out of our human pride,—
Poor pride that dare live in Thy sight!
Out of the shadows that hide
Thy mercy, Thy Love, and Thy light,
Lift us, O Lord!

Out of the self that would hoard
Thy gifts, and leave others the tears;
Out of life's weariness, Lord,
That grows with the growth of the years,
Lift us, O Lord!

Into the light of Thy love,
 Out of sin's sorrowful prison,
 Into the peace from above,
 Thou who didst die and art risen;
 Lift us, O Lord!

Tryphena M. Browne.

MY LIGHTHOUSE

LIFT up thy light, O soul, arise and shine,
 Steadfast while all the storms of life
 assail!
 Immortal spark of the great Light divine,
 Against whose power no tempest shall
 prevail!

Hold high thy lamps above earth's restless tides,
 Scatter thy messages of hope afar!
 Falsehood and folly pass, but Truth abides;
 Thine be the splendor of her deathless star.

When the world's sins and sorrows round thee
 rave,
 Pierce thou the darkness with thy dauntless
 ray,
 Send out thy happy beams to help and save,
 "More and more shining to the perfect day!"

Celia Thaxter.

MY TIMES ARE IN THY HANDS

FATHER, I know that all my life
 Is portioned out for me,
 And the changes that will surely come
 I do not fear to see:
 But I ask Thee for a present mind
 Intent on pleasing Thee.

I ask Thee for a thoughtful love,
 Through constant watching wise
 To meet the glad with joyful smiles:
 And wipe the weeping eyes;
 And a heart at leisure from itself
 To soothe and sympathize.

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Wherever in the world I am
 In whatsoe'er estate,
 I have a fellowship with hearts
 To keep and cultivate;
 And a work of lowly love to do
 For the Lord on whom I wait.

So I ask Thee for the daily strength,
 To none that ask denied,
 And a mind to blend with outward life,
 While keeping at Thy side:
 Content to fill a little space,
 If Thou be glorified.

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There are briers besetting every path,
 Which call for patient care;
 There is a cross in every lot,
 And an earnest need for prayer;
 But a lowly heart that leans on Thee
 Is happy anywhere.

In a service which Thy love appoints
 There are no bonds for me;
 For my secret heart is taught the truth
 That makes Thy children free:
 And a life of self-renouncing love
 Is a life of liberty.

Anna Laetitia Waring.

LIVING UNTO THEE

GOD of the living, in whose eyes
Unveiled Thy whole creation lies;
All souls are Thine; we must not say
That those are dead who pass away;
From this world of flesh set free,
We know them living unto Thee.

Released from earthly toil and strife,
With Thee is hidden still their life;
Thine are their thoughts, their works, their
powers,

All Thine, and yet most truly ours;
For well we know, where'er they be,
Our dead are living unto Thee.

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Thy word is true, Thy will is just;
To Thee we leave them, Lord, in trust;
And bless Thee for the love which gave
Thy Son to fill a human grave,
That none might fear that world to see,
Where all are living unto Thee.

John Ellerton.

A SPRING-DAY HYMN

HOW pure the dawn, and bright!
A thousand songs of waking joy arise;
And to the zenith, flooding all the skies,
Mounts the wide splendor of the light.
So rise, my soul, to God.

Filled are the curving brooks
With hastening streams and waters running
bright,
Dancing and singing in the morning light,
Or gliding into grassy nooks.
So flow, my life, toward God.

I look for flowers to bloom
 Along the margin of these streams; the skies
 Of warmer May, with many a fond surprise
 Of violets, shall cheer my gloom.

Thus do I hope in God.

All Nature turns her face
 Toward the increasing sun, and prays the fire
 That kindles life and bids the buds conspire
 To clothe the earth with forms of grace.

Thus I aspire to God.

The day wanes to its close.
 The drowsy herd turns homeward, and the wing
 Of every bird is folded; vespers ring,
 And weary hearts seek soft repose.
 So rest, my heart, in God.

Bishop Wm. E. McLaren.

HYMNS FOR THE HOLY EUCHARIST *

THE holy ground on which we reverent tread
 With shrinking foot-fall and unsandalled
 feet;

The mystic shrine within whose vale we meet
 The wondrous presence of our gracious Head:
 The altar at whose blood-stained base we bend
 With grateful alms and holy praise and
 prayer;

The Table in whose feast we thankful share;
 The riches which the Master's grace attend—
 All these, with light and life and love, are
 thine:

O Sacrament of Sacrifice divine!

Frederick S. Jewell.

* Some of the best Eucharistic Hymns in English
 are to be found in the New Hymnal.

THE BREAD OF LIFE

GESU, ever present
 With Thy Church below,
 In the day of gladness,
 In the night of woe,
 From Thy holy Altar
 Life Divine bestow.

There we kneel before Thee,
 Pleading Face to face;
 There with awe adore Thee,
 Thirsting for Thy Grace,
 That our hearts, O Saviour,
 May Thyself embrace.

We are frail and sinful,
 And no love can claim,
 But withhold not from us,
 By Thy sacred Name,
 Light to keep our footsteps
 From the paths of shame;

Strength to fight the battle
 With the powers of death;
 Truth to hold us steadfast
 In Thy Holy Faith;
 Comfort to sustain us
 To our latest breath.

Jesu, ever present
 With Thy Church below,
 Hear us in our gladness,
 Hear us in our woe;
 Faint our souls, and hungry,
 Bread of Life bestow.

Lyra Eucharistica.

BEFORE THE MERCY SEAT

BE still, my soul, for God is near,
The Great High Priest is with thee now!
The Lord of Life Himself is here,
Before whose Face the angels bow.

To make thy heart His lowly throne,
Thy Saviour God in love draws nigh,
He gives Himself unto His own,
For whom He once came down to die.

He pleads before the Mercy-seat,
He pleads with God, He pleads for thee:
He gives thee Bread from heaven to eat,
His Flesh and Blood in Mystery.

I come, O Lord—for Thou dost call—
To blend my pleading prayer with Thine:
To Thee I give myself, my all,
And feed on Thee and make Thee mine.

EARLY COMMUNION

AT day's sweet prime I seek the fane,
Lord, where Thine honor dwells.
The sunshine through the painted pane
A glorious day foretells;
And lights upon the altar shine
As heralds of Thy grace divine.

Peace welcomes me. I leave behind
The world and worldly ways;
With childlike and receptive mind
I come to pray and praise—
To see Thee “lifted up”, O Lord,
By faithful souls to be adored.

I lay upon Thine altar fair,
 As offering, my heart;
 My sins I plead: they many are;
 Their pardon, Lord, impart,
 And so refresh me with Thy grace
 That I may better run life's race.

For those in Paradise I plead,
 Who in the flesh were dear;
 For loved ones absent intercede,
 As they were kneeling here.
 O sweetest Feast! Communion blest,
 'Tis here we meet and in Thee rest.

O make us all partakers, Lord,
 Of Thy dear Self to be;
 Our hearts engraven with Thy Word,
 Our lives Thy ministry,
 And ever thankful for 'Thy love,
 So freely given us to prove.

The priest bestows the sign of grace,
 The Benedicite,
 While silence fills the holy place
 Where God is wont to be,
 And then my pilgrim path I take,
 Ere yet the world is quite awake.

O. W. Rogers.

O BEATA HIERUSALEM

O JERUSALEM the blissful, home of gladness yet untold;
 Thou whose countless throngs triumphal fill
 with joy thy street of gold:
 Graven on thee new and glorious, they the
 King's own name behold!

Many are thy sons, O Mother, yon august and
shining band!

Gentle peace in all thy borders makes thee glad,
O happy land!

Perfect is thy restoration, bright in holiness to
stand.

Here, a figure of the heavenly, shines our
temple, worthier grown

By its finished restoration based upon the
Corner-stone,

With a majesty and beauty to the former house
unknown.

Lord, we pray Thee, Master-builder, great and
holy, enter in:

Fill Thy sanctuary quickly, as our hallowing
rites begin,

And Thyself, its Consecrator, rest forevermore
therein.

Make Thy servants, though unworthy, temples
of Thy grace to be;

Let us not in flesh or spirit prove disloyal unto
Thee,

But in dedicated service praise Thy name
adoringly.

Make, O Royal Priest, Thine altar here hence-
forth a throne of light,

Ever held in highest honour, and with many a
gift made bright,

Ever blessed, ever peaceful, ever precious in
Thy sight.

Yea, our hearts as sacred altars hallow for Thyself and bless;
 By the grace of Thy renewing perfect us in holiness;
 And Thy sevenfold gifts from heaven may we evermore possess.

Now to Thee through endless ages, O most holy Trinity,
 Highest honour, power unmeasured, everlasting glory be:
 God forever and forever, Three in One, and One in Three.

Spanish Breviary.

LYRA LATINA *

VENI, Sancte Spiritus!
 Et emitte coelitus
 Lucis Tuae radium.
 Veni, Pater pauperum,
 Veni, dator munerum,
 Veni, lumen cordium!

Consolator optime,
 Dulcis hospes animae,
 Dulce refrigerium.
 In labore requies,
 In aestu temperies,
 In fletu solatium.

* In the selection of Hymns, both English and Latin, the aim has been to include, for the most part, those that are not best known.

O Lux beatissima,
 Reple cordis intima
 Tuorum fidelium.
 Sine Tuo nomine,
 Nihil est in homine,
 Nihil est innoxium.

Lava quod est sordidum,
 Riga quod est aridum,
 Sana quod est saucium,
 Flecte quod est rigidum,
 Fove quod est frigidum,
 Rege quod est devium.

Da Tuis fidelibus
 In Te confidentibus
 Sacrum septenarium;
 Da virtutis meritum,
 Da salutis exitum,
 Da perenne gaudium.

King Robert of France.

JESU! dulcis memoria,
 Dans vera cordi gaudia;
 Sed super mel, et omnia,
 Ejus dulcis praesentia.

Nil canitur suavius,
 Nil auditur jucundius,
 Nil cogitatur dulcius,
 Quam Jesus Dei filius.

Jesu! spes poenitentibus,
 Quam pius es potentibus!
 Quam bonus Te quaerentibus!
 Sed quid invenientibus?

Nec lingua valet dicere,
 Nec littera exprimere,
 Expertus potest credere,
 Quid sit Jesum diligere.

Sis Jesu! nostrum gaudium,
 Qui es futurus praemium;
 Sit nostra in te gloria
 Per cuncta semper saecula.

St. Bernard.

O ESCA viatorum,
 O panis Angelorum,
 O manna coelitum!
 Esurientes ciba,
 Dulcedine non priva
 Cor Te quaerentium!

O lympha, fons amoris
 Qui puro Salvatoris
 E corde profluis,
 Te sitientes pota,
 Haec sola nostra vota,
 His una sufficis.

O Jesu! Tuum vultum
 Quem colimus occultum
 Sub panis specie,
 Fac ut, remoto velo,
 Aperta nos in coelo
 Cernamus acie.

RECORDARE sanctae crucis,
 Que perfectam viam ducis,
 Delectare jugiter.
 Sanctae crucis recordare,
 Et in ipsa meditare
 Insatiabiliter.

Quum quiescas aut laboras,
 Quando rides, quando ploras,
 Doles sive gaudeas;
 Quando vadis, quando venis,
 In solatiis, in poenis,
 Crucem corde teneas.

Crux est porta Paradisi
 In qua sancti sunt confisi,
 Qui viverunt omnia.
 Crux est mundi medicina,
 Per quam bonitas divina
 Facit mirabilia.

Crucifixe! fac me fortem,
 Ut libenter tuam mortem
 Plangam, donec vixero.
 Tecum volo vulnerari,
 Te libenter amplexari
 In cruce desidero.

Bonaventura (Abridged.)

O SALUTARIS Hostia!
 Quae coeli pandis ostium,
 Bella premunt hostilia,
 Da robur, fer auxilium.

Uni trinoque Domino
 Sit sempiterna gloria,
 Qui vitam sine termino
 Nobis donet in patria.

St. Thomas Aquinas.

ALLELUIA PERENNE

ALLELUIA piis edite laudibus,
 Cives aetherii, psallite unanime
 Alleluia perenne.

Hinc vos perpetui luminis accolae
 Ad sumnum resonate hymniferis choris
 Alleluia perenne.

Vos urbs eximia suscipiet Dei,
 Quae laetis resonans cantibus excitat
 Alleluia perenne.

Felici reditu gaudia sumite
 Reddentes Domino glorificum melos
 Alleluia perenne.

Almum sydereae jam patriae decus
 Victoris capite quo canere possitis
 Alleluia perenne.

Illic Regis honor vocibus inclytis
 Jucundo resonat carmine perpetim
 Alleluia perenne.

Hoc fessis requies; hoc cibus; hoc potus.
 Oblectans, reducens, haustibus affluens;
 Alleluia perenne.

Dum Te suavisonis, Conditor! affatim
 Rerum carminibus laudeque dicimus
 Alleluia perenne.

Te, Christe! celebrat gloria vocibus
 Nostris, Omnipotens! ac Tibi dicimus
 Alleluia perenne,
 Alleluia perenne!

Seventh Century.

LABENTE jam solis rota
 Inclinat in noctem dies,
 Sic vita supremam cito
 Festinat ad metam gradu.

O Christe! dum fixus cruci
 Expansis orbi brachia,
 Amare da crucem; Tuo
 Da nos in amplexu mori.

Charles Coffin.

GLORIA in excelsis Deo, Et in terra pax
 hominibus bonæ voluntatis.

Laudamus te. Benedicimus te. Adoramus
 te. Glorificamus te.

Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam
 tuam.

Domine Deus, Rex cœlestis, Deus Pater Omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe.

Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,
 Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram.

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus sanctus; Tu solus Dominus;

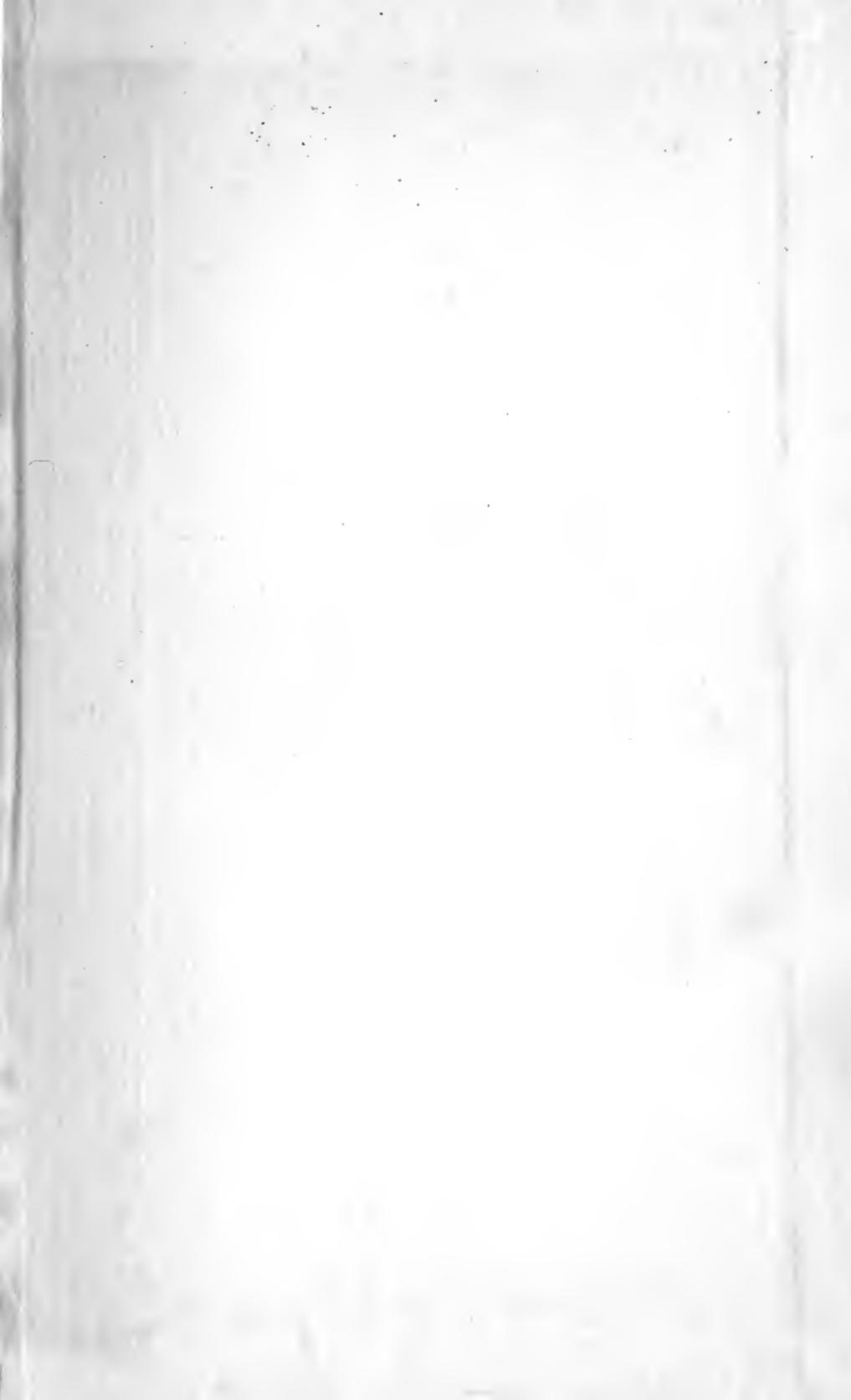
Tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum sancto
 Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.



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